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Briefly

Seniors plan barbecue

Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Club will sponsor a barbecue from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

The menu includes barbecue pork steaks and bratwurst plates. The \$3.50 price potato salad, cole slaw, drink, and a dessert.

Sandwich and chips are \$2.50; desserts 50 cents and soda, tea or coffee 25 cents.

A bake sale will be held in conjunction with the barbecue at 3910 Highway 111 in Pontoon Beach.

Willing Workers to meet

Willing Workers will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Granite City YMCA.

President Steve Ortiz said the meeting will include evaluation of the group's 13th reunion that was held May 8 at the Granite City Knights of Columbus.

Special service at Foursquare

There will be a special service at Granite City Foursquare Church, 2400 E. 25th St., on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The Silze Family Variety Gospel, from Fredericktown, Mo., will be the special guest singers.

Vehicle to hire city planner

Venue aldermen have agreed to hire a full-time city planner as part of a plan to create a TIF district in the city. Page 3A.

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May 19: 7-2-8; Pick 4: 5-0-0-1
Little Lotto Game
01-17-23-35-35
Lotto Game
01-15-24-31-50-51
May 18: 3-5-4; Pick 4: 1-0-4-0
May 17: 1-6-2; Pick 4: 2-6-2-4
Little Lotto Game
09-10-16-19-25
May 16: 6-1-9; Pick 4: 3-1-0-2
May 15: 4-5-3; Pick 4: 0-3-6-2
Lotto Game
04-18-21-27-31-37

75 years ago

May 23, 1918
Two of three robbers who held up the Tri-Cities State Bank were captured and \$13,100 of the \$16,000 stolen was recovered. They were captured in Cincinnati and will be returned to Madison County for trial.

Trivia

How many people visited Cahokia Mounds in 1992?

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Conversations with Koresh

Former local man was FBI's lead negotiator

Clinton Van Zandt, a 23-year veteran of the FBI, was starting to feel at home in the elite unit featured in the Academy Award-Winning "The Silence of the Lambs."

Then the past came calling. Van Zandt, a Granite City native and 1963 graduate of Granite City High School, is a supervisory special agent with the Investigative Support Unit of the FBI Academy's National Center of Analysis of Violent Crime. There he studies the behavior of serial killers, rapists, and kidnappers.

For two weeks in March, federal agents had been getting

nowhere with religious cult leader David Koresh, who was barricaded with heavily armed followers inside his Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas.

The FBI needed an expert to head up negotiations with the cult, and Van Zandt was the obvious choice. He'd spent years on their special operations and research unit, charged with hostage, crisis and SWAT team assignments. He had trained other agents in the art of negotiating. He'd been through prison riots and a standoff with a religious cult in Arkansas,



Clinton Van Zandt

which ended peacefully after five days.

"When they called me I thought, wait a minute, I don't do this anymore," Van Zandt, 48, said in an interview at his home in Spotsylvania County in Virginia. "But when the FBI says, 'We'd like you to go, it pretty much means you're on the way.'"

Before he'd return, Van Zandt (See VAN ZANDT, Page 2A)

Fire manning eliminated

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Promotions will no longer be automatic at the Granite City Fire Department.

After a 90-minute closed session Tuesday night, the City Council removed the fire department manning table from the city's municipal code.

The action was designed to eliminate automatic promotions and hirings by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, aldermen said.

The municipal code had previously called for a specific number of firefighters of each rank — chief, assistant chief, captain, engineer, pipeman and firefighter/paramedic. Upon retirement of any firefighter, the Board of

Fire and Police Commissioners had automatically promoted from within to fill any vacancies.

The aldermen were informed by a letter from the commissioners, dated May 6 but received May 14, that Engineer Eugene Mullen had been promoted to the rank of captain and Pipeman John Bell promoted to the rank of engineer. The promotions were made due to the retirement of Fire Chief Jerry Wallace and the appointment of former-Captain Keith Talley to fill that post, according to the letter.

Talley said this week that the commissioners plan to hire a new firefighter to replace Butch Mink, who recently retired.

By similar action, the City (See MANNING, Page 8A)



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Co-op student Kim Barris, 17, a senior at Granite City High School, works in St. Elizabeth Medical Center's maintenance department, where being a welder is among her duties.

Education in the 'real world'

Businesses give students on-the-job schooling

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

When the plumbing springs a leak in her classroom, Granite City High School senior Kim Barris fixes it with a smile.

On a given day, Barris can be seen at St. Elizabeth Medical Center — her classroom — changing the washers in a faucet, installing an electrical receptacle or welding a pipe.

Barris, a vocational major, is one of about 135 GCHS students participating in the school district's Off-Campus Education Program.

"I love it. I enjoy working with my hands and enjoy the challenge of trying to fit in a non-traditional career," she said.

Besides, she said, "I didn't want to be a secretary."

The off-campus education program allows students to get on-the-job training by working part of the school day at a participating area business or "training station."

Fields of study include health, industrial and office occupations; personal and public services; distributive education and radio and television production.

While Barris is learning practical application of the skills she picked up in vocational welding, electricity and automotive classes, she is also earning credits toward graduation.

"I do welding, electrical work, change receptacles, general maintenance — whatever needs to be done," she said.

She said that the extended campus program is the ideal preparation for her career field. After graduation, Barris plans to go to Nashville, where she will take training in automotive and diesel technology.

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Voluntary prayer to be offered at graduation

Granite City High School seniors will have the opportunity to participate in a voluntary prayer before graduation May 28.

Although the School Board voted May 11 to "reopen" prayer during graduation, the Granite City High School chapter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes will hold a voluntary circle prayer prior to ceremonies, said Laura Chappell, FCA sponsor.

All students are welcome to participate in the prayer, which will be held one half hour before commencement begins, she said.

The FCA also has received permission to circulate flyers informing students of the prayer, Chappell said.

The School Board's action May 11 was prompted by a U.S. Supreme Court decision last June ruling that prayer in graduation exercises violates the concept of "separation of church and state" and the "establishment" clause of the U.S. Constitution.

'Front yard' fence is OK'd

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

When is a side yard also a front yard?

For Ken and Deb Williams, whose lot is bounded by three streets, even the back yard is a front yard in the eyes of the city zoning administrator.

But the City Council rejected that interpretation Tuesday, approving two variances that will allow a six-foot-tall privacy fence to be placed along lot frontage. In doing so, the council went against the advice of the assistant city attorney, the zoning administrator and the unanimous recommendation of the

'Nowhere in the city is there a six-foot privacy fence in the front yard. It'll look like Fort Apache ... The lawyer told (the aldermen) we couldn't do it and they did it anyway. No wonder we lose zoning cases.'

— John Jakich
Zoning Administrator

aldermanic Zoning Committee.

The vote on the variances was 8-5.

The Williams' requested the variances to make improvements to their property at 2000

Pontoon Road. The Zoning Board of Appeals, an advisory body, had recommended approval

after a hearing May 12. No objectors were present at that

(See FENCE, Page 8A)

Venice board puts pressure on Bennett

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Venice Police Chief James Bennett had a long night Tuesday.

When Mayor Tyrone Echols announced Bennett would be reappointed, the aldermen called for a closed session with Bennett.

When Bennett and the aldermen reappraised about 20 minutes later, Bennett wasn't smiling and looked as if he were returning from a visit to the woodshed.

But the aldermen voted unanimously to approve his appointment.

Prior to the reappointment, police promotions announced by the Board of Police Commissioners came under fire.

Before the night was over Bennett was ordered to immediately expend any necessary manpower, funds and take any other necessary steps to clean up Baucum

Avenue — formerly Weaver Street.

Bennett was also directed to tell all officers in his department that they have 60 days to move into the city or else turn in their guns and badges. Bennett also had his department criticized for curing at aldermen and failing to adequately stop loitering and loud music.

Alderman Silver Franklin questioned the promotion of Sherrill Mosby to sergeant because, Franklin said, Mosby had been hired as a part-time officer and had never been formally switched to full-time. He questioned whether, as a part-time officer, Mosby was eligible to test for promotion.

"This is not someone we picked up off the street," Echols said. "He worked for us, left, and then came back."

Franklin said he wasn't questioning Mosby's qualifications, only his status. (See VENICE, Page 2A)



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Incentives — Marilyn Delay, head nutritionist for the Women, Infants and Children program at Coordinated Youth and Human Services, holds a pair of booties provided to women who breast-feed their babies. See Page 5A for stories and more photos.

Fire at vacant house termed suspicious

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Authorities are investigating the cause of a Wednesday morning fire at a vacant home on Edwardsville Road.

The suspicious blaze started in the single-story wood frame house in the 1300 block of Edwardsville Road at about 9 a.m.

The entire front of the house was engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived, Fire Chief Keith Talley said.

"Flames were shooting out five to six feet when we arrived," Talley said.

A neighbor who reported the fire said that the former residents of the house had moved out over the weekend. The former residents had been evicted by the property owner, according to a police report.

"We were in the front of the house and saw smoke. I thought that Granite City Steel was putting it out. Then we heard a popping noise, and seen the flames," the woman said.

"I just wish that we called when we seen the smoke."

While electrical and gas services had been shut off, they had been turned back on prior to the fire Wednesday, police said.

The owner, Elaine Holmes, 66, of the 200 block of Logan Avenue, told police that she had been planning to sell the home.

A service representative from Illinois-American Water Co. arrived to shut off water service to the home even as firefighters were controlling the blaze.

A passing motorist said that he entered the house to ensure that there were no occupants trapped inside.

Chris Bucks, 21, of the 2100 block of Adams Street, whose hair and eyebrows were singed by the heat, said that he was driving by when he saw the smoke. He said he stopped, entered the house and ran through it searching for people.

The home was almost completely destroyed by the blaze, which started in a front living room, police said.

A next-door neighbor said that the fire department did an excellent job of controlling the fire.

"These wood houses are so

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— Neighbor

close. With a little wind, the whole block could have gone up," the woman said.

The woman's home sustained some water damage.

Fire Chief Don Simon said the fire was "probably set."

He said an investigation revealed burn patterns indicating that a flammable liquid had been poured in the living room.

In a separate incident, firefighters extinguished a kitchen fire at Ravello's Restaurant, #3 American Village Shopping Center, Tuesday afternoon.

The restaurant was temporarily closed Tuesday to clean up the damage. After inspection by the Illinois Department of Public Health, the restaurant was back open Wednesday morning.

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Granite City firefighters attack a fire at a vacant house at 1329 Edwardsville Rd. Wednesday morning. The cause of the fire is being investigated.

Venice

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Harold Wilson, president of the Board of Police Commissioners, said the board had checked the rules, checked with an attorney with the state organization of police commissioners and had determined that Mosby was eligible. Wilson said Mosby was one of four officers to take and pass the sergeants' examination and had scored the highest.

Alderman Michael Terrell said, "being the devil's advocate," that he was afraid that promoting a person who was not formally full-time would leave the city open to lawsuits by the three full-time officers who were not promoted.

Echols said he was willing to take that chance, but suggested the council first vote to make Mosby full-time and then vote on the promotion.

• Walk away. "But how could we, with children in danger and the federal agents who were killed?"

• String wire around the compound and turn it into a prison. They would have allowed no supplies in and waited it out. We tried to think what that would have been like after the food ran out. I got this vision of Koreh holding a starving baby out the window and saying, 'See this. You can let him die if you want.'

• Storm the building and try to take over. This was rejected for more than one reason. "We weren't going to use FBI agents as cannon fodder," said Van Zandt. Agents also feared Koreh would put weapons in the hands of children and teenagers, forcing authorities into horrible decisions.

It was decided to use tear gas to force their hand. Most importantly, the cult could use the gas as an excuse to surrender with its pride intact.

Agents had to use tanks, he said, because the firearms Koreh had "could blow a hole through a bus."

Beyond that, Van Zandt said, he preferred not to discuss the military aspects. "My area is negotiations, not tactical maneuvers."

Van Zandt said he telephoned the compound as soon as he saw the smoke. It rang and rang, unanswered.

"I kept praying the children would come out. I kept waiting to see this line of little kids coming. I want people to know that the FBI agents cared deeply about what happened to them. Many agents, including Van Zandt, had children waiting back at home."

"Oh sure, just have federal agents abandon the U.S. Constitution and kill someone. Who knows, that might have ended it, but I tell you I'd quit the FBI if they started assuming that kind of authority," Van Zandt said.

The FBI did come up with a short list of options. According to Van Zandt, those options were:

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City Attorney Casper Nighohossian said based strictly on the facts presented by Wilson, it appeared Mosby had been eligible to take the promotion test.

The council voted 7-1 to make Mosby full-time, with Alderman Victor Valentine casting the dissenting vote.

Alderman John Henry Williams then asked who was likely to be sued if the board and Nighohossian were wrong.

"I'm not going to tell you you won't get sued," Williams said. "You can be sued if you're right and you can be sued if you're wrong."

The aldermen voted 5-1 to approve the promotion with Valentine voting no and Terrell and Williams abstaining. The aldermen then voted unanimously to approve the promotion of Derek Wise to corporal.

Concerning Baucum Avenue, Valentine said he knew the problem of people "hanging out" had been brought up nearly every meeting for the past 8 years, but said he would keep bringing it up until something was done.

Alderman John Ervin said he has been hearing and reading about Weaver Street for the past five years.

"Everybody knows the problem," he said. "The only way to solve the problem is to put a policeman there 24 hours a day. The other fellows are there 24 hours a day. Unless we are too, nothing is going to change."

Terrell asked, "Whatever happened to the loitering ordinance the city attorney promised us a year or so ago?"

Echols said there is a city loitering ordinance already on the books that is being used.

Williams said, "We don't need more laws. What we need is someone to enforce the laws we already got."

Franklin said it should be possible to have loitering ordinance with "some real bite" and asked why the city attorney couldn't research what's being done in other cities and come up with something.

"I hate to say bring it back because we never know if we'll ever hear anything again," Franklin said.

Echols said he didn't know what else a loitering law could do. He said he supposed it could carry a heavier fine, but "hitting them in the pockets doesn't mean much if they got nothing in their pockets."

Nighohossian said that in the United States a public place is open to the public. He said under the provisions of the 1985 section of the federal Civil Rights Act it is clear that every person — no matter where they are from,

whether they are a citizen of Venice, the United States, Russia or some other planet — has a legal right to be in a public place.

Some public places, such as parks, can be closed during certain hours, Nighohossian said, but "then they are closed to everyone. A public place is either open to everyone or closed to everyone. You can put on conditions."

Nighohossian said under the city's current loitering law some people are arrested and some plead guilty. None of them are taken to court, he said.

"I would really rather not stand up here in front of the public — knowing I'm going to read it in the newspaper — and debate whether our laws are defensible in court," Nighohossian said.

"Don't say anything more," Echols said.

Williams said he also agreed with Ervin and said: "The solution is very simple. We tell the police chief to clean it up. If his officers don't want to do it, we get rid of them. If the police chief doesn't want to do it, we get rid of him. We've got the laws. It's their job to make them work."

The aldermen then voted to instruct Bennett to do whatever it takes and spend whatever it takes, but clean up Baucum Avenue.

Echols said that as long as the police were being given ultimatums he had one as well.

Chief, I also want you to inform the scalawags down there that they will move into the city or they will turn in their guns and badges," Echols said.

Echols said he believed that police officers who live in the city have more compassion for its citizens and said he was "troubled" by the attitude of what "is basically an outside force." He said he was tired of hearing about things like police officers cursing aldermen and said he was going to stop.

Echols read the requirement for police officers to reside in the city from the city's municipal code. "Just to make sure everyone is clear on this" and said 60 days "seems more than fair" as a limit for compliance.

"So chief you tell them to come on in or get the hell out," Echols said.

The aldermen unanimously agreed to give the offending officers 60 days to move into the city or face dismissal.

Mislabeling is blamed in death

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A dose of a medication that was mislabeled in a hospital pharmacy apparently caused the death last month of a Collinsville man who had been admitted with gall bladder problems.

Fred W. Russell, 69, a long-time employee of A.O. Smith in Granite City, died at 3:15 a.m. April 17 at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. According to testimony given during a Madison County coroner's inquest Wednesday, Russell's death resulted from "the inadvertent administration" of Mivacron instead of the drug Zantac.

The mislabeling was believed to have occurred because the packaging on both drugs was virtually identical.

Dolores Phelps, an administrative associate at Anderson Hospital, read a prepared statement that said Mivacron, normally used for general anesthesia during surgery, "causes the cessation of respiratory function," which allows for the use of a ventilator.

"An investigation is ongoing and the protocol for drug dispensation at Anderson Hospital is under review," Phelps said.

Phelps' statement expressed Russell's death and said that steps were being taken to "reduce or eliminate" the chance of another such death.

"I would really rather not stand up here in front of the public — knowing I'm going to read it in the newspaper — and debate whether our laws are defensible in court," Nighohossian said.

When Russell was admitted to the hospital a physician ordered the intravenous administration of Zantac, used in the treatment of ulcers and other stomach-related illnesses.

At 3:30 p.m., a nurse found Russell unresponsive. Life required resuscitation, and he was then moved to the hospital's intensive care unit where he "continued to deteriorate" until his death on April 17, Smith said.

Smith showed two sample packages of the mismatched medication to the coroner's jury. Both drugs had clear liquid in the packaging which covers another plastic container bearing the name of the drug contained in the inner container can be viewed through a clear plastic strip in the foil packaging.

"But once it's shaken down into the pack (prior to use) you cannot see what drug it is," Smith testified.

The outer foil packaging containing the Mivacron bore a label with Russell's name on it and identifying the drug as Zantac.

Phelps said the error was discovered by a nurse who was preparing to administer Zantac to another patient. The error was confirmed after retrieving the used packages from the trash.

The coroner's jury ruled the death accidental and recommended that the hospital initiate an immediate "double check" system on drug dispensing.

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Editorials

Give police money for job

Police officers must view every stopped motorist as a potential murderer.

The officer holds up the gingerly toward the car, never letting the driver and occupants out of sight. Reaching the back of the car, the officer pauses and places a hand on the fender. Is the engine still running? Are the people inside making any suspicious moves? Where do each have their hands?

Reaching the driver-side window, the officer asks for a driver's license, registration and proof of insurance. The driver reaches across the car toward the glove compartment. Maybe the driver will produce the documents. Maybe it will be a gun or knife.

The driver holds up the requested documents, but even that doesn't mean the officer is safe. Police officers who reach into the wrong stopped car for a driver's license may find themselves dragged down the road by a speeding car.

If everything goes right, it's just another routine stop. But no stop is routine until it's over.

Knowing the potential for danger, can an officer be blamed if her or she doesn't make the marginal stop?

Knowing that statistically the danger is increasing all the time, can an officer be blamed for considering more and more stops marginal?

If the traffic stop is for driving under the influence of alcohol, the officer can look forward to running a series of field sobriety tests, taking the person to the station, observing the person for 20 minutes before administering a breath test, completing a host of forms, and writing out a report that averages 1 1/2 typewritten pages.

A police officer will invest about two hours in each DUI arrest. If an accident is involved, the officer can count on an additional 40 minutes to an hour. In the time it takes an officer to process a DUI, he or she could handle a burglary report, a suicide and a couple of citizen complaints.

In Madison County, state statistics show that about six of every 10 DUI arrests will be pleaded out — a higher fine will be assessed for a lesser charge. The driver will keep his or her license and no DUI conviction will go on the driver's record.

Knowing that 36 minutes out of every hour spent processing DUIs is essentially being wasted, can officers be blamed for being at least a little selective about making DUI stops?

Straddle our hypothetical officer — the one we can't blame for having lapses in his or her devotion to duty — with little or no raise in pay, equipment on its last legs, staffing cuts that have left little breathing room, increased demands for revenue-producing traffic stops and widespread public opinion that if "the police would only do their job" the ills of society could be solved.

Then we have all the ingredients for disaster and, ultimately, anarchy.

The stories on police funding in the Metropolitan St. Louis area in Wednesday's *Granite City Journal* indicate that most area police departments already have most, if not all, of these ingredients. It could be that the only thing keeping us from anarchy is that, while we would forgive occasional lapses, most police officers could never forgive themselves.

We should be thankful that we have police officers, and police departments, willing and able to make do with what they are given. We should be pleased that they take whatever extra steps necessary to provide for public safety.

At the same time, we need to realize that this is only possible because the police departments, and police officers, are constantly exceeding our reasonable expectations. That won't go on forever.

Our elected officials, the ones with the purse strings, need to be reminded that things stretched to the limit are destined to snap. The bean-counters can't be allowed to lose sight of the fact that adequate funding means enough money to operate today AND enough money to ensure continued operation tomorrow.

Some things we can hold off fixing until they break. Police protection is not one of them.

Greed and medical profession

Carol Clarkin writes this weekly column for the *Edwardsville Journal*.

A letter from a Texas lady who read this column disturbed me somewhat because, although she apparently enjoys the column, she misunderstood a recent one. Either misunderstood or read into the column something I never said, but she was wrong. In expressing some of my opinions on the in-progress health-care reform task force, I said I believed that 100 days was too short a time frame in which to achieve a truly satisfactory health-care bill, and that I thought the problem was extremely complicated for a quick-take study and solution.

I was critical of the rise in prices of prescription drugs over the past decade — a 152 percent increase, as opposed to the 58 percent rise in the general rate of inflation, and I questioned why Americans pay 62 percent more than Canadians and 50 percent more than Europeans for the same drug. And that's ALL I said.

My reader read into that denunciation of the greed of physicians — something I neither said nor believe. She, on the other hand, DOES believe it, almost fanatically, to judge by her comments.

Greedy, as a motive in a career choice, is probably on about the same level in medicine as it is in other fields — a lot more than that of a nun and a lot less than, say, that of a lawyer or a business CEO or a television evangelist. I'm not saying there aren't any greedy doctors around; I'm just saying I don't happen to know any of them.

In 72 years, I've never felt that I was financially ripped-off by any of my doctors, nor can I fault the medical services they've rendered me and mine. Quite the opposite, in my case at least, I feel that several of my doctors have gone above and beyond duty in terms of their care and concern.

Anyone who has looked up to see the familiar face of their own doctor, in a hospital emergency room in the wee small hours — and within what seems only minutes after their own arrival there — knows the comfort of which I speak. Take it from me, it's better than a shot in the arm.

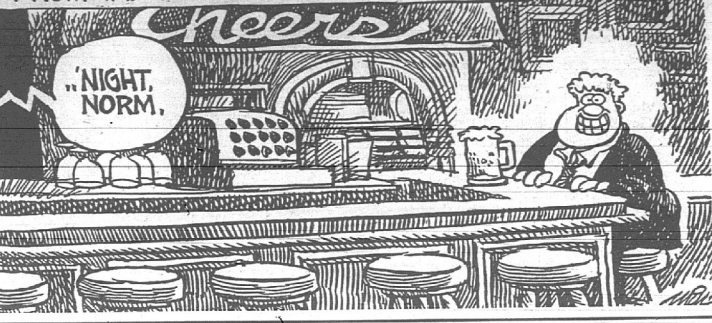
About as high as I can go on my personal hero list was my family doctor during my years in Decatur. Harold Friedman, who was Johnny-on-the-spot for every medical emergency the kids had (and there was several), including house calls in the days when such things were going out of style, who helped me keep my sanity during said emergencies, who delivered our daughter and made the experience ALMOST enjoyable.

Report with one's physician, at least to me, is a "must" and I've been encouraged to take force study has emphasized that one's choice of doctor will be a part of any proposed plan. I want to be able to choose the person upon whom my well-being depends and I have a little list, to borrow from a suitable fellow.

That person must be someone in whose abilities I have confidence, who knows the limitations of his own expertise and is not averse to referral when it's indicated, whose explanations are couched in language I can understand, who will be completely honest with me even if the news is bad. And who has a sense of humor. Someone I like and respect on a personal level and who, I sense, feels the same way about me.

That seems like reasonable list to me. I know the fellow who tells me to stick out my tongue and say, "Aah!" isn't the Almighty. Just so he knows it, too.

NEWS ITEM: WHITE HOUSE EXEMPTS BEER FROM TAX PACKAGE



Letters

America must recognize its sins

TO THE EDITOR:

It had been a few days since the fiery consummation of the Davison Cult in Waco, Texas. No doubt the ruins were still smoldering while forensic bloodhounds slowly picked apart the blackened remains of the madman's kingdom. I was on my lunch hour and as is my custom I was turning the radio, dial towards a program with a conservative bent. On my way, however, I heard the prophetic words quoted from the Bible.

The author was Jesus and the subject was the "last days." He said, "See to it that no one misleads you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many." Words familiar and true, yet I was surprised to learn that this scripture and the accompanying commentary was being aired on a non-religious station. You see, it's one thing for those of us classified as fanatics to use the Bible as a foundational reference, and quite another for the secular media.

But I suppose in an effort to expose the tragic error that masqueraded as Christianity, a reliable defining source was needed, and this, no doubt, led the commentator to use the scripture. Like a beacon of light the ancient words do what they've always done...separate the truth from the lie. But having unsheathed this two-edged sword we must allow it to run its course. In doing so we realize that the deception in our lives reaches far beyond the tiny compound in Waco.

For his part, the Bible clearly tells us God's view on the moral issues of our day. It was therefore a sickening display of irony when our national student rights, who condemned the "religious cult," for in passing judgment on the false messiah who led his people into gross error, we also judge ourselves.

For his crime of killing innocent lives is more than matched by our lustful murder of more and more children through abortion. His bizarre teaching on societal behavior pales in comparison to our exaltation of the perversion of life if "cult" is the malignant child of a foundational truth, then our "America" is itself a cult when compared to our beginnings.

But just as the scripture exposes our sin, it also offers a solution. God's prescription for a wayward nation is found in II Chronicles 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

The tragic end of our messiah, the brainwashed believers, and the innocent children, was a self-inflicted inferno...and if we fail to recognize our wretched backslidden condition, we too will be consumed by the flames. These, however, will never be quenched.

ROBERT P. EDWARDS
Madison

TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the Collinsville Convention and Visitors Bureau, I thank you for introducing your readers to the many interesting, historical and fun-filled attractions and events located within a day's drive of their homes.

The "Enjoy Illinois" tabloid in the April 28, 1993, edition was

well written and very informative. It presented an accurate view of tourism attractions in Southwestern Illinois.

Too often, we give successful vacations by the amount of miles we drive or fly or the amount of money spent on new vacation clothes, meals, gas and souvenirs.

While it's true that hard-earned vacations give us the opportunity to visit exotic, far-away places, they can also be broken into one, two or three-day trips that can be attractive to all family members and certainly less expensive.

One attraction all area residents can take pride in is the Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, one of only 17 United Nations World Heritage sites in America and the only one in Illinois.

The site is visited annually by visitors from around the world and should be a "must see" for everyone.

Hours at the interpretive center are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. The grounds are open until dusk.

Readers needing additional information on Illinois are urged to contact the Collinsville Convention and Visitors Bureau at 465-6999. Or they can drop by the Bureau located in Gateway Center at 1 Gateway Drive. Bureau hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tourism is "big" business in Southwestern Illinois.

SALLIE JO BURTON
Collinsville Convention and Visitors Bureau

Abortion affects men and women

TO THE EDITOR:

This is in reply to the letter, "Urges avoiding judging others," March 14.

Abortion is no more only a women's issue than slavery was only a black issue, or the Nazi Holocaust only a Jewish issue.

The right to life is a human issue. Obviously, it takes both genders to start a new life. And the new person whose life is in danger is either male or female from the time of conception.

Since at the time each of us was an unborn child, it should concern all of us.

The total American casualties in all wars in our nation's history approaches 1.5 million people. This is slightly less than the estimated number of children killed by abortion annually.

The problems that cause a tragedy are not a crisis can be worked through; the solution should never be killing the child.

No difficult circumstance for one human being changes the worth of another human being.

Although it's often said that pregnancy is a crisis for women, only the babies, the facts show just how wrong that is. There are more than 3,000 abortion alternative centers across the country that provide counseling, legal, financial and medical referrals, clothing, baby items, adoption assistance, etc., to women in crisis pregnancies.

These centers are run primarily by volunteers and offer all services free of charge.

Many centers along with other pro-life groups provide counseling and help to women who have had abortions and need healing.

The vast majority of pro-lifers are peaceful, caring people who work to make our society see that killing is not an acceptable choice.

Although each abortion is a tragedy, and a sin, Christ can heal and forgive it like any other sin.

We all have sinned and need the forgiveness found only in Christ Jesus. Christian pro-lifers offer no judgment, just compassion, help and hope.

What do abortionists offer other than abortion? Nothing.

JULIE COAD
Granite City

Decision fair to students, BAC

TO THE EDITOR:

The Board of Trustees of Belleville Area College, in a recent decision, voted to fine students with a \$5 per credit hour fee when courses are dropped.

A coalition of students organized at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College in an effort to seek the board's repeal of this enactment.

President Joseph Cipri of BAC met with the coalition in early April. In this somewhat lengthy meeting, both sides of the issue were examined and discussed.

Dr. Cipri presented the coalition with a set of impressive statistics regarding the number of credit hours being dropped with the student body of the college system. Sadly, a problem does indeed exist in this area.

Likewise, in my opinion, the requests made by the student coalition were within reason. Cipri, in his response, requested by the coalition, the board had already put into action by the time of our meeting with Dr. Cipri that BAC would avoid the "double penalty" and not charge the students a drop fee after the second week of classes, that period when tuition reimbursement is no longer granted.

Additionally, Dr. Cipri agreed that a student position with voting privileges will be created when the review panel is formed.

It was of credit to the administration and the student coalition that all came together with open minds and a willingness to come to an agreement that would be beneficial to both the students and the educational system.

MICKEY HENSON
Belleville Area College student

Will work for city's progress

TO THE EDITOR:

Third Ward residents, as with my father before me, I will commit and dedicate myself to the city I love, and to its progress and rehabilitation.

MARILYN ELFRINK
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Coordinated Youth serving more than kids

Group hears presentation on breathing



Maxine Green

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

Better Breathers met on May 11 in the Wiesman Room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Carol Smith, coordinator, opened the meeting with a welcome to the visitors and members.

Following the luncheon, Carol introduced the special speaker, Mary Vogt, M.S., R.N., who presented an interesting speech on breathing exercises and energy conservation.

President Susie Horton asked for reports, which were given and approved.

Those present were Vera Imo-Boe Johnson, Madlyn Marcovici, Aylene Katana, Pearl Kamadulski, Gloria Knoblock, David Castello, Oryl Feinmer, Mary Maylath, Maxine Green, Elsie Maylath, Billy Uhl, James Noe, Jack Smith, Marge Hilker, Ellen Knuckstadt, Elsie Stager, Susie Horton, Ruth Smith, Shirley Wendel, Pauline Holman, Freddy McElroy, Marshall McElroy, Karen Lanter, Paula Gontman, and David Sheppard.

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Inez Dyer and daughter and grandson, Regina and Andrew Hudson of Tennessee Ridge, Tenn., are visiting. Brother, daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Falter and family, from a vacation in the Bahamas. (She and daughter are former residents of Granite City.)

The Ruth Sunday School Class of the Calvary Baptist Church held the monthly meeting May 12 in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Prayer requests were given for Betty Sutton, Boyce Wallis, Elaine Fallock, George and Helen Cuvor, Lawrence Druhe, Dorothy Walkins, and the church prayer list, followed by prayer by Pat Wallis.

"A devotional, 'What My Obedience to God Cost Offsets, People,' from Luke 23:26, was given by Gladys Hutson.

The secretary, Ruth Dagon, and the treasurer, Pat Wallis, gave their reports and they were approved.

The speaker from the mother-daughter banquet returned money she had been paid, to be used by the class for a special project.

Plans were made to hold a rummage sale Sept. 17 and 18 at the home of Norma Ross on Boyle Avenue.

The June meeting will tentatively be held at the campsite of Pat and Boyd Wallis at Camp Tomahawk in Millersburg, Ill.

A trip is planned for Thursday, June 10, to Defiance, Mo., to visit the home of Daniel Boone. The group will return via Augusta, Mo.

Games were led by the teacher, Pauline Weir, with prizes won by Ellen Badgett, Ruth Dagon, and Gladys Hutson. Pauline Weir closed the meeting with prayer.

Ruth Moser served delicious refreshments to Lois Bivens, Norma Ross, Gladys Hutson, Maxine Hoover, Pat Wallis, Ellen Badgett, Ruth Dagon, and Pauline Weir.

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Saturday evening, May 8, friends and members of Mount Zion Church enjoyed a mother-daughter banquet sponsored by the Zionette Missionary Ladies of the church. Dinner was served at 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. The theme was "Pattern of Living."

The program consisted of group singing and games. A contest of the look-alike mother and daughter was a tie between Ann Schubert and daughter, and Thomas and Debra Clark and her mother, Sandy Stuhlmann. Each couple received a floral arrangement. The most look-alike grandmother and granddaughter was Joyce Hood and her granddaughter, Brenda Vans.

The oldest mother present was Mildred Rippi and the youngest mother, Lori Osborn. Each one received flowers.

Helen Nance read a poem, "A Little Parable for Mother."

The mother with the most children was Verda Hicks, and the grandmother with the most grandchildren was Jenny Firtle.

The dismissal prayer was given by Carolyn LeMaster.

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

It's not just for kids any more. Coordinated Youth Services, established in 1944 to assist delinquent youth, is changing its name to Coordinated Youth and Human Services to better reflect the nature of the programs the agency provides.

Along with the name change, the agency is hoping to find a new home as well.

The board of directors of Coordinated Youth Services, a Tri-Cities Area United Way-funded agency that has been providing services to this area for nearly 50 years, is announcing the agency's name is officially being changed to Coordinated Youth and Human Services.

While many people associate only alternative education and special education programs with the agency, CYHS provides a wide variety of services including the Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program; AIDS counseling, testing and case management; vocational preparation and job placement; drug prevention, intervention and aftercare support programs; and other social services such as energy assistance, medical assistance and a garden project.

The agency's mission is "to provide programs, facilities and trained personnel who can promote and conduct programs and services to meet the ever-changing human service needs of youth, their families and others in need."

More than 25,000 clients were served by CYHS programs last year. The agency is currently housed at 1254 Niedringhaus Ave., and rents space in other areas of Granite City.

The board of directors is looking for a larger, permanent home for all of the programs CYHS provides.

The agency's programs fall under four basic categories:

Education — 1) *Alternative/optional education programs* are offered to middle school, junior high and high school-age students in the Granite City, Madison and Venice school districts.

2) *Health Programs* — 1) *Women, Infants and Children (WIC)* provides low-income pregnant women and also infants and children up to five years old with nutrition education, supplemental food and health assessment services.

2) *Drug Prevention Programs* — These programs provide services to parents, teachers, youth and other community members to assist in attaining the goals of drug-free communities, clarification of family values, and improved communication skills to reduce the problems of teenagers.

3) *Visions for the Future* is available to residents of Madison County Housing Authority developments in Madison, Venice and Collinsville. It provides prevention activities for youth and their families, and is funded by the Madison County Housing Authority and local United Way.

4) *Rescue III* provides teacher and parent training and community activities in the Granite City, Madison and Venice areas. It is funded by the State Board of Education through the local school districts and by the local United Way.

5) *Choices* offers resistance skills through classroom training to junior high school students in public and parochial schools in Granite City.

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6) *Healthy Lifestyles* offers (See SERVICES, Page 6A)

Funding is provided by Madison County Special Education Region 1, the Illinois State Board of Education and the Tri-Cities Area United Way.

Educational programming, counseling and social adjustment skills are provided to qualifying students experiencing difficulty in school.

It provides basic academic instruction, drug/alcohol education, pre-employment skills, social work services, academic testing and evaluation, problem solving skills and assertiveness training.

2) *Educational enhancement program* is available to middle school, junior high and high school-age students in Granite City, Madison and Venice, with funding provided by Madison County Special Education Region 1, the state Board of Education and the local United Way.

The program is a full-time education program serving behavioral-disorder students.

3) *School attendance program* serves elementary through high school-age students upon referral from schools in the Granite City and Madison school districts.

Those two districts plus the United Way provide funding for the program, which provides home visits, counseling and referral to appropriate community service agencies to school truants and their families, with the goal of reinstating regular school attendance.

Court action, when necessary, is taken for chronic truants.

4) *Vocational Career Option program* provides academic, career interest identification, pre-employment skills, interpersonal life skills and, when appropriate, job placement for students age 16-21 in the Granite City, Madison and Venice school districts.

It is geared to assist students who demonstrate a desire to perform well in a job training/academic skills program, but whose earned high school credits are such that a high school diploma is an unrealistic option.

Funding is provided by the Madison County Employment and Training Program (Joint Training Partnership Act) and

the local United Way.

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2) *AIDS Programs* include education services, counseling and testing, case management and emergency assistance and home health care services to victims of AIDS and

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Lillian Evans, right, the energy assistance representative with Coordinated Youth, explains the program's guidelines to a potential client.

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AIDS program offers HIV-related services

Sheila Brown (not her real name) never thought much about HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) until a former high school boyfriend notified her that he was infected.

Sheila, a college sophomore, got a free, anonymous HIV test through the Madison County AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) Program. She was shocked to find her results were positive.

Along with the results of her test, Sheila received emotional support and information about living with HIV from her case manager, Sharon Pfaff.

Sheila was referred to an HIV specialist, who said she had a normal number of T-cells (the part of the immune system attacked by HIV) and explained that she could stay healthy indefinitely if she takes good care of herself.

To help Sheila and her family deal with her test results, MCAP obtained counseling for them through the Ryan White Program. Ensure pudding to boost her nutrition. She joined Madison County's HIV support group and was assigned a "buddy" to help her through the program. She continued to work and be healthy for a few years, but then started to feel run down. Her lymph nodes were swollen and she experienced diarrhea and nausea.

She lost weight without dieting or exercising, and her T-cell count dropped to 420 from nearly 900.

The doctor prescribed AZT for her — she was amazed at its price of nearly \$250 per month.

Sheila did not have health insurance when she was tested for HIV, and no company would cover her, knowing that she was infected.

MCAP put her on a drug reimbursement program and paid for her medical care through the Ryan White Program.

With the AZT, her T-cell count climbed to more than 800. Although she still felt vaguely ill at times, her condition improved.

(See AIDS, Page 6A)

Education program for 'at risk' students

"David" was referred to the Educational Enhancement Program of Coordinated Youth and Human Services from another special program, where he had been unsuccessful.

Initially, David had been referred to a special education program as a result of a physical attack on another student in the high school where he had been a freshman.

David was on probation and knew he needed help in controlling his anger and aggressive actions.

That was three years ago. Now, David is a graduating senior and is scheduled to go into the Navy following graduation.

It hasn't been an easy road for him — he attended summer school for three summers to make up for credits not earned in high school or other programs.

But with problem-solving techniques, anger-management strategies, counseling and hard work on academics, David has fulfilled his goal of attaining a high school diploma.

Since its inception in 1989, the EEP has helped more than 50 students like David who have been unsuccessful in other special programs.

For many students, the EEP is the last chance to continue their schooling and receive the services which will enable them to continue their schooling and prepare for the future.

One of the unique features of EEP are the non-confrontational and nurturing environment in which the students work. This atmosphere allows students to feel safe and secure.

The program advocates choices for the students, empowering (See STUDENTS, Page 6A)



W.I.C. nurse Gloria Gray, left, measures one-month-old Tori Ann Rice's head while the baby's mother, Melissa Rice, holds her head still.

Women, children get help

"Janice" was a 15-year-old pregnant girl referred to the Women, Infants and Children Program of Coordinated Youth and Human Services from CYHS's Alternative Education Program.

She was a smoker, had bad eating habits and didn't know the first thing about being a parent. Thanks to the WIC program, though, Janice is on the road to success.

She attended her WIC education Janice on the importance of not smoking and of maintaining a proper diet for the health of her baby.

Janice also received health assessments by the WIC nurse, and was encouraged to keep her doctor appointments.

She was given food vouchers for milk, cereal, juice, eggs, cheese, dried beans, peas and peanut butter, which could later be redeemed at a

WIC-approved grocery store.

Janice's baby was born healthy. Because of the education and support provided her by the WIC staff, Janice is now breast-feeding her baby.

She attended her WIC appointments every three months, and received nutrition information on how to feed her baby, health assessments to evaluate her baby's growth, and food vouchers for formula, juice and infant cereal.

Referrals were made to get immunizations for her child, to a parenting group, and to CYHS's Layette Program.

Church Women United of the Quad-Cities Area put together a packet of homemade quilts and blankets, baby clothes, baby bottles, a few diapers, and a homemade sweater — all through the Layette Program.

(See WOMEN, Page 6A)

Medical, energy aid available

John and Sue, a homeless couple, need medication for one of their two small children.

A single parent with four small children, unable to work due to health problems, needs medical assistance.

A hospital social worker has a client with three school-age children, and needs some specialized help every day to determine the cause of the child's illness.

These are just three examples of the many clients that Coordinated Youth and Human Services helps every day through its Medical Assistance Program.

CYHS provides medical assistance to area residents through a program made possible by the Tri-Cities Area United Way and the Madison County Community Development Fund. The program provides funding for prescriptions and doctor's visits to low-income families that qualify.

CYHS also serves as an intake site for the Madison County Energy Assistance Program, providing affordability of heating and electric services to low-income households, and the Garden Project, providing low-income residents with seeds to produce their own fresh vegetables during the summer.

For more information about these programs, persons may call 876-2383.

Churchich idea of combining juvenile home, jail 'too costly'

Sheriff Bob Churchich's proposal to combine the county's juvenile detention center and jail would cost more than doubling the existing detention home, a top county official said.

Churchich has said combining operations would save on day-to-day costs, but the official in charge of the detention home this week said construction and land acquisition costs are enough to sink the project.

"It's going to cost the same to build a detention home no matter where you do it. But it's going to cost a whole lot more when you add a jail to it," said Bob Astorian, director of county probation and court services.

Madison County is under pressure from the state to upgrade the 24-bed juvenile home on Troy Road, which has been plagued by crowding, a leaky roof and inadequate toilet facilities. The Illinois Attorney General's Office has threatened to sue and possibly

shutter the center if the problems are not addressed.

Last month, voters rejected a plan to impose a 2-cent property tax to pay for renovations and a new addition at the existing juvenile home at 100 Fifth Ave. The project would have cost \$4 million.

Churchich has since proposed building a juvenile wing onto the jail at 405 Randle St.

No cost estimates have been floated, but the sheriff has been saying his proposal would result in lower operating costs because the facilities would not be duplicating services, such as food preparation and laundry.

Astorian, however, disagreed. In addition to the cost of building a juvenile wing, county officials would have to find money to buy land next to the jail to make room for the new wing. Those costs could be high since the jail is near a residential neighborhood, Astorian said.

No land acquisition costs would be involved in renovating the existing juvenile home because it sits on more than 40 acres of county land.

"This is really only muddying the issue of the immediate need for a juvenile home. I'm afraid it will jack up the costs and make it impossible for us to find the funds to do it," Astorian said Monday.

County officials have also been informally discussing expanding the jail to combat overcrowding. If such an expansion were made part of the juvenile wing project, construction costs would go even higher, Astorian said.

Churchich could not be reached for comment.

Astorian conceded the sheriff may eventually need to expand the jail, which is frequently overcrowded. The problems at the jail, however, are not as pressing as those at the juvenile home, he said.

School libraries to share grants

Secretary of State Librarian George H. Ryan announced that 36 school districts in the Metro East area will share more than \$15,000 in school library grants.

Statewide, more than \$293,000 in grants is being distributed, benefiting about 1.4 million elementary and secondary school students.

"Building strong school libraries is a key to creating better schools," Ryan said. "According to a recent federal study, access to a school library is the best predictor of student achievement. Students who score higher on standardized tests tend to come from schools that have the most accessible library programs."

The school library grant program supports access to ILLINET Online, Illinois' statewide library database, by providing funds that schools may use to buy modems and to offset telecommunications costs. While these grants are modest, they may also be used to purchase current books, audio visual materials and computer software.

Since launching the school library grant program in 1989, Ryan has distributed nearly \$900,000 to Illinois school libraries. The program is the only one of its kind in the country.

While public libraries have

been eligible for state library grants, Ryan began the school library grant program as a way to recognize the importance of school libraries in the educational process.

Of the state's 943 school districts, 300 qualified for grants this year, including about 50 that had not applied previously. To be eligible, a school must have a person overseeing library services and must belong to one of Illinois' 17 regional library systems.

Last year, Ryan initiated a plan to make that requirement easier for schools to meet. Ryan also provided approximately \$10,000 in "access automation" matching grants to Metro East area schools last May, helping them purchase computer hardware and software for their libraries. More than \$130,000 in "access automation" funds were distributed to schools throughout the state.

Area libraries that received grants include:

BELLEVILLE: Belle Valley School District #119, \$223.46; Belleville Township High School District #201, \$387.18; Harmony Engle School District #175, \$172.37; Signal Hill School District #181, \$92.34; Whiteside School District #115, \$177.09; Wolf Branch School District #113, \$169.50.

CAHOKIA: Cahokia Community Unit School District #187, \$327.71.

COLLINSVILLE: Collinsville Community Unit School District #10, \$385.85.

COLUMBIA: Columbia Community Unit District #4, \$241.32.

DUPO: Dupu Community Unit School District #196, \$275.58.

EAST ST. LOUIS: East St. Louis School District #189, \$2,015.06.

EDWARDSVILLE: Edwardsville Community Unit School District #7, \$1,178.46.

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS: Pontiac-Woodbury School District #103, \$122.09.

GRANITE CITY: Granite City Community Unit School District #9, \$758.21.

LEBANON: Lebanon Community Unit School District #12, \$249.32.

O'FALLON: O'Fallon Community Consolidated School District #18, \$485.09.

SWANSEA: High Mount School District #116, \$89.47.

VENICE: Venice Community Unit School District #3, \$102.68.

WATERLOO: Waterloo Community Unit School District #5, \$419.22.



Graduation — Two Granite Cityans received graduation certificates last month from Belleville Area College's Aviation Maintenance Department. Above, Chad Hucko, center, accepts his certificate from guest speaker Carl Jones, chief inspector for Midcoast Aviation Inc., left, and Don Koleson, dean of technical education. Below, Koleson presents Jeffrey Seiz, center, his certificate while Jones looks on.



Bill calls for tax freeze for elderly

Senior citizens over the age of 65 could see a property tax freeze under legislation sponsored by State Rep. Jay Hoffman (D-Collinsville).

"This is true property tax relief for the people who really need it. Senior citizens are sometimes forced to move from their neighborhoods because they cannot afford to pay raising property taxes," Hoffman said. "This legislation freezes property taxes for seniors over 65, whose household income does not exceed \$35,000."

Hoffman said the amendment is meant to let seniors stay in the neighborhoods where they grew up and raised their families.

"These seniors have worked their entire lives and built up a lifetime of dreams and memories, only to be forced out of their home neighborhoods. This legislation attempts to right a wrong and let our seniors citizens live where they want."

Another piece of legislation supported by Hoffman increases the general homestead exemption for downstate homeowners to \$4,500 from \$3,500. The exemption for home improvements would be increased to \$15,000 from \$10,000. Senior citizens would see their additional homestead exemption rise to \$2,500 from \$2,000.

Money for bikeways released

Gov. Jim Edgar recently announced the release of \$4.7 million in projects to help local governments throughout the state develop bikeways and pedestrian walkways as well as enhance historic facilities that are transportation related.

"This funding — from the new Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program — will allow 66 communities to proceed with projects that have been on their wish lists — some for a long time. The projects will create about 600 jobs directly and many more indirectly," Edgar said.

The state assistance for the projects is coming from funds that federal law restricts to being used for such purposes.

"The bikeways and pedestrian walkways will not only provide alternatives to automobile transportation but also improve the quality of life in communities throughout our state because of their recreational potential," Edgar said.

The Transportation Enhancement Program, coordinated by three departments in the Edgar administration, also features an initiative to plant wildflowers along interstate highways.

The multifaceted enhancement program will be administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation. The program uses \$13.9 million in federal funds earmarked for enhancement projects at the state or local level. The program was developed through a cooperative effort involving the Illinois Department of Transportation, Department of

Conservation and the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

A sponsor of a project is responsible for providing the 20-percent non-federal matching funds. Sponsors are also responsible for acquiring any necessary land, managing the project and for maintaining the project after it is completed.

Some examples of the types of projects included in the fiscal year 1993 program and their location are:

Alton/East St. Louis — Engineering for 25.5 miles of bikeways to be constructed on the levee network from the new Clark Bridge in Alton to the light rail terminal at the newly renovated Eads Bridge in East St. Louis. \$250,000 has been allocated for fiscal year 1993. Construction cost is estimated at nearly \$4 million.

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NOTICE OF CLOSURE

No. 698

A plan to close the Tarapur Industries, Inc.'s ("Tarapur") acidic washings storage tank located at 1200 16th Street, Granite City, Illinois, has been submitted to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) pursuant to Subpart G of 35 Ill. Adm. Code 725. Tarapur Industries, Inc. is a manufacturer of lead, lead containing and non-lead metal fabricated products: shot, solder, lead-free solder, lead containing and non-lead containing industrial alloys, and lead shielding. The facility will remain open during and following the closure of its hazardous waste storage tank.

At this time the IEPA is also requesting that the facility provide information concerning any other release of hazardous waste constituents from any solid waste management unit at the site.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the plan or request modification of the plan or provide information on the release, at any time of hazardous waste constituents from the facility, within 30 days of the first publication date of this notice. Written comments must be addressed to the IEPA, Office of Community Relations, Attn: Michelle Nicky-Lebrun, 2300 Chancellors Road, P.O. Box 12276, Springfield, Illinois 62784-9276.

Comments must be closed in accordance with the standards set forth in the Environmental Protection Act, Rev. Stat. Ch. 117½, Para. 1001 et seq., and regulations adopted thereunder.

Any proposed closure plan, closure performance requirements, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the IEPA's Springfield headquarters.

An appointment to inspect the proposed closure plan must be made in advance by contacting the Division of Land Pollution Control, Office of Information, at the IEPA's headquarters at 2300 Chancellors Road, P.O. Box 12276, Springfield, Illinois 62784-9276, 217/783-6760. Please refer to the closure number under the heading at the top of this advertisement when contacting the IEPA coordinator.

In response to requests or at the discretion of the IEPA, a public hearing may be held to clarify one or more issues concerning the closure. Public notice will be issued 30 days before any public hearing.

BAC honors longtime instructor

When Janet Milligan started teaching English at Belleville Area College in 1958, she developed a philosophy of education that has stuck with her throughout her career.

Her philosophy is that a teacher's role is to stimulate students to think clearly, critically and creatively, she said.

Undoubtedly, this philosophy helped her win her title of Outstanding Faculty Member of 1993. Milligan was recognized for her achievements at BAC's annual meeting in April.

"Personally, I think great teaching is getting students to think, consider, doubt, probe and analyze everything," she said. "It is getting students to stretch their minds."

Over the years she has employed her philosophy in teaching literally thousands of students.

When Milligan started her career at BAC, classes were held at Belleville Township West High School. A few classes were held in the library building and a few others in temporary prefabricated metal buildings behind the library.

Now the college has three campuses and about 25,000 students. Today, Milligan teaches the children, and even grandchildren, of her original students.

Milligan said winning the award reminds her of a time when she first began teaching. She was selected to represent BAC at a two-week conference in Maine called "The Great Teachers Seminar."

At first, she felt intimidated to be in such esteemed company. But she realized quickly that she had something in common with the other teachers.

"We all loved our jobs," Milligan said. "We were idealistic about making a difference in students' lives, and

Janet Milligan

we felt energized by the challenges."

"When I and the other teachers simply wanted to communicate the joy of learning to their students."

"When I see students' faces light up when they have made a connection, then that day has been worthwhile," she said.

Milligan said if she ever loses the desire to share the joy of learning, then she will retire.

During her years at BAC, Milligan has served as head of her department, president of the American Association of University Professors, a representative to the Illinois Council of AUP and the Community College Council of the American Federation of Teachers, and as a member of the Faculty Senate.

At the state level, Milligan was one of the earliest presidents of the Faculty Division of the Illinois Association of Community and Junior Colleges. When this organization dissolved, she worked with faculty members at the colleges in the state to establish the Illinois Community College Faculty Association as

the official liaison to the Illinois Community College Board.

In 1990, the ICCB honored Milligan with its David Erickson Memorial Award for her work on policy committees during the early years of the Illinois Community College system.

As an English instructor at BAC, Milligan established and still teaches such courses as The Bible as Literature, World Literature and Modern Grammar.

Milligan said she is devoted to the community college system and proud to be counted among the many great teachers at BAC.

"Most of all, I feel fortunate to have had a job that has made me want to get up in the morning," she said.

Sharon Granville, chairman of the English department, said Milligan is an effective instructor both in and out of the classroom.

"Her student evaluations have been consistently high, but more important, her students come back to see her year after year, thanking her for helping them," Granville said.

BAC Trustee Tom Pratt was the board representative and Dr. E. Lynn Sydman, vice president for instruction was the

administrative representative to the committee that selected the faculty member of the year.

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Obituaries

Bell, Mo.; three daughters, Cordis Childers of Cahokia, and Alice Rogers and Mona Pacheco both of Granite City; one sister, Cordie Mae Adams of Gallatin, Tenn.; 18 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alla M. (Adams) Baker, whom he was married to for 60 years and who died Dec. 4, 1983; his parents, Clabe and Alice Elizabeth (Stanfield) Baker, five brothers, and one sister.

Pearl Bright

Pearl "Peggy" (Graham) Bright, 73, of Madison, died at 2:06 p.m. May 19, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She was born Sept. 13, 1919 in Madison.

She was a homemaker and of the Protestant faith. Survivors include her husband Fred H. Bright Sr., two sons, Fred H. Bright Jr. of East Alton, and Richard J. Bright of Dupon; one daughter, Barbara H. Hickman of Edwardsville; and one brother, John Graham of Granite City. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Susie (Dobbin) Graham; five sisters and two brothers.

Visitation is 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus in Granite City, where services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday with the Rev. David Henebhan officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Belleville.

Memorials are requested for the American Heart Association or the Diabetes Association.



Robert Baker

Robert E. Baker, 88, of Madison, died at 1 p.m. May 18, 1993, at Cahokia Nursing Home in Cahokia. He was born July 14, 1904, in McCuan, Tenn.

He retired in 1969, after 23 years, as a rigger for Granite City Steel. He was a member of The City Temple in Granite City.

Survivors include 16 sons, Hairel Baker and Ernest Baker both of Granite City, Yoid Baker of Kahokia, Mo., and Bobby Baker of

She was preceded in death by her husband, Floyd "Frosty" Ellis, who died Oct. 13, 1988; her parents, Grover and Mary Adams; her sister, Leota (Thompson) Sadler; two brothers, Gilbert Sadler and Cleo Sadler; and one sister, Elva Oleta Sadler.

Services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus in Granite City, with the Rev. Kenneth Reeves officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Belleville.

Mary Elhardt

Mary (Spudich) Elhardt, 84, of Livingston, Ill., formerly of Country Care Center in Staunton, died at 1:15 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, 1993, at Community Memorial Hospital in Staunton. She was born April 26, 1909 in Livingston.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Church in Livingston.

Survivors include one brother, Mike Spudich of Granite City; and one sister, Anne Komanecky of Staunton. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Catherine (Zarr) Spudich; three brothers, John, Spudich, Roger Spudich, and Joseph Spudich; and one sister, Helen Spudich.

Services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at Sacred Heart Church, with the Rev. George Radosevich officiating. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Livingston.

Barbara Smith

Barbara (Grimes) Smith, 68, of Genoa, Ohio, formerly of Madison, died Wednesday, May 19, 1993, in Genoa.

Survivors include three children: one sister, Bonnie Arnold of Potosi, Mo.; and five grandchildren.

Visitation and services are being held in Genoa with arrangements pending. Burial will be in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Pleasant Hill, Ill.

Velma Ellis

Velma Verna (Sadler) Ellis, 82, of Granite City, died at 6:20 p.m. Sunday, May 16, 1993, at her residence.

She was born Oct. 11, 1910, in Pomona, Ill., and had lived in Granite City for 75 years. She was a homemaker and a member of First United Pentecostal Church in Granite City.

Survivors include one son, Floyd Adams, according to the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association. More than 25,000 people visited during Heritage America '92 in September.

Edward Lance

Edward Louis Lance Jr., 24, of Granite City, died at 2:42 a.m. Sunday, May 16, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. The cause of death was appendicitis. He was shot in the head, sustained on the sidewalk in front of his home, Madison County Coroner Dallas Burke and police said.

Lance was born June 13, 1968, in East St. Louis.

He was a self-employed musician and tattoo artist, and an Army veteran. Survivors include his father, Edward Lance Sr. of Marissa; his mother, Joyce Stephens of Granite City; his paternal grandfather, Jim Lance of Granite City; his great-grandmother, Ida Holder of Granite City; his wife, Nicole Whitford; Lance's two sons, Edward Lance III and Nicholas Lance, both of Granite City; one brother, Joseph Lance of Granite City; and one sister, Kristy Lance of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Dina Lance, who died in 1987.

Funeral services were Wednesday at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road in Granite City, with Tom Campbell, a friend, officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Trivia

In 1992, 511,242 people visited Cahokia Mounds, according to the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association. More than 25,000 people visited during Heritage America '92 in September.

Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday papers include:

ADAMS, John W. Jr., 45, of Granite City, died at 10:50 a.m. Thursday, May 13, 1993, at Harbor University of California at Los Angeles Hospital in Torrance, Calif. Funeral arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2225 Pontoon Road in Granite City, where services were 10 a.m. Thursday with the Rev. Robert DeGrand officiating. Burial is in Lake View Memorial Gardens in Belleville. Memorials to donor's choice are requested.

BETTORF, Glen D., 65, of Granite City, died at 10:10 a.m. Thursday, May 13, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Funeral arrangements were by Werner Chapels for Funerals in Pontoon Beach. Services were Monday at Hope Lutheran Church in Granite City with the Rev. David B. Glick officiating. Burial is at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials are requested for Hope Lutheran Church.

BLIVE, Bernice F. (Mueller), 61, of Venice died at 9:07 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Services were Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary in Granite City with the Rev. John Knapp officiating. Burial is at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

BONO, Raymond D., 57, of Olton, Mich., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:15 p.m. Saturday, May 15, 1993. Services were held May 19, at the Lutheran Church of Peoria. Burial was at Swan Lake Memorial Gardens, Peoria.

COLLINS, Aline M. (Hill), 75, of Granite City, formerly of DeMotte, Mo., died at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, May 15, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Services were Tuesday at the Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Dale Clemmons officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials are requested for Mercer Mortuary.

JACOBS, William H., 95, of Alton died at 6:59 p.m. Friday, May 14, 1993, at Elder Care Nursing Home in Alton. Graveside services were held Tuesday at St. John's Cemetery in Granite City with Rev. Samuel Boda officiating. Funeral arrangements were by Werner Chapel for Funerals.

MARTINEZ, Michael, 70, of Granite City, died at 6:40 a.m. Saturday, May 15, 1993, at Colonados Nursing Home in Granite City. Services were at 9 a.m. Tuesday at the Holy Family Catholic Church with the Rev. William Fisherkeller officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon. Arrangements were handled by Mercer Mortuary in Granite City.

MODRUSKI, Joanna R. (Gac), 71, of Madison, died at 7:38 p.m. May 15, 1993, at Barnes Hospital in Madison. Services were 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Irwin Chapel in Granite City with the Rev. Paschal Lobianco officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

PACIENCIA, Frances Paula, 15, of Granite City, died at 1:40 p.m. Saturday, May 15, 1993, in St. Louis County. Services were 9 a.m. Wednesday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Grocery budget often includes extras

You have got to know how much money you're spending on food in order to determine where to cut costs.

That's the advice from Brenda Cuneo, a University of Illinois Extension consumer economics specialist. Although Americans spend about 20 percent of income on food, less than ever at the grocery store.

The answer may be in all the extras, or non-food items that end up in the grocery cart. Grocery stores now sell everything from charcoal to school supplies.

Industry experts estimate that consumers spend one-fourth of their grocery shopping bill on paper products, health supplies,

cosmetics and all other non-food items. It is necessary to take these extras into account when figuring up the food budget.

Also, figures in the number of items you wrote a check for an amount over the actual cost for purchased items. When you check out the month, it may look like you spent an outrageous amount on food, when in fact the food costs were reasonable.

Grocery expenses alone will not provide an accurate picture of your family's food costs. These minor costs can add up to big money. If you spend 50 cents for a can of soda every day at work, it adds up to about \$120 a year.

If your goal is to cut costs on your food bill, determine how

much you are actually spending on food and then pinpoint the weaknesses. Once you know where you need to cut costs, find ways to trim your food bills.

Here are some of the most practical ways to save food expenses: Plan your food buying, plan meals, take good inventory of what you have at home, use advertised specials, use a shopping list, control food use at home, plan snacks for those refrigerator raiders, plan to use leftovers, avoid waste, take care of food at home, follow "use by" dates to avoid waste, be sure temperatures are zero degrees F in the freezer and between 35-40 degrees in the refrigerator, buy in large quantities, buy when the price is right, take advantage of sales, and limit impulse buys.

Fence

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hearing. The Williams' problem is not unique. Their lot has frontage along Pontoon Road, Prairie Avenue and Primrose Avenue.

They want to erect a six-foot privacy fence along what they consider their side and back yards, and eventually build a swimming pool. The fence would help contain two dogs, they said. They also said that they would angle the fence at the corner so that it does not obstruct traffic sight lines.

But Zoning Administrator John Jakich said that the side lot line along Primrose and the back lot line along Prairie are both technically frontages.

"This would set an undesirable precedent because a six-foot privacy fence, by ordinance, is not allowed on frontages," Jakich said.

"Nowhere in the city is there a six-foot privacy fence on the front yard. It'll look like Fort Apache if we allow this to happen," he said.

Assistant City Attorney Ed Fitzhenry agreed with Jakich. He said that granting the variances could create a precedent if another owner had like circumstances and that the proper maximum height, by ordinance,

is four feet.

The Board of Appeals cannot grant a six-foot fence," Fitzhenry said.

Ward 7 Aldermen Kim Affolter and Sandy Crites, who represent the area in question, said that area residents welcome the proposed improvements.

"I can't believe they're being denied a fence in their back yard," Affolter said.

But Alderman Craig Tarpo, a member of the aldermanic Zoning Committee, said that "zoning cannot be handled by neighborhood popularity."

"The decisions we make will affect every area of the city," Tarpo said.

"The integrity of our fence ordinance is at stake, and I don't know if any of you would be too happy about a neighbor placing a six-foot privacy fence in their front yard."

But Affolter said that the Williams' situation is unique.

"This won't come up through all areas of the city," he said. "I'm going to grant the variances because the aldermanic Zoning Committee is unique, and the advice of the city attorney staff has not historically held much weight in court."

"If you have to do it look behind my house and see a zoning disaster," said Partney, who has a long-standing feud with his

back yard neighbor whose pole barn was stopped in the middle of construction two years ago. The poles to the barn remain stuck on the property.

But Tarpo said that the past practice of "going along" toward aldermen is the reason for the city's poor court record.

"Zoning must be done consistently. By granting this in one ward, we are in effect saying we are now going to allow a six-foot fence on the front lot line throughout the city," Tarpo said.

"Inconsistency is why we have lost zoning cases in court," said Alderman Paul Fisk, chairman of the Zoning Committee.

Alderman Judy Whitaker said she favored the variance because "every case is different."

After the vote, Jakich expressed disbelief.

The lawyer told the aldermen we couldn't do it and they did it anyway. No wonder we lose zoning cases," Jakich said.

Going to grant the variances were Whitaker, Partney, Crites, Affolter and aldermen Casmer Skubish, Tom Gandler, Eddie Asadorian and Bob Page.

Tarpo, Fisk, and aldermen Freddie Frederick, Jim Miller and Mark Follis voted against the variances.

Aldermen Juanita Crawley and Walter Miller were absent from the meeting.

Planner

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The aldermen also voted unanimously to apply for \$125,000 in Community Development grants to install an elevator at City Hall and make other improvements necessary to bring the building into compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

When Mayor Ron Selph took office earlier this month, the police department had one chief, three captains and four lieutenants. Under Lengyel's proposed new structure, there will be one chief, an assistant chief, two captains and three lieutenants at the police station.

Lengyel had been one of the captains, as was Dave Ruebhausen, whose appointment to assistant chief was confirmed by the City Council Tuesday night.

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posed TIF district.

Before the aldermen voted on the grant application, Echols said he wanted to make it clear that if the Baucum-Mercidocia-Brown-Ortle projects were approved to would mean the Johnson proposal had been turned down.

He then polled the aldermen "so that each of you go on record that the Community Development money is to go for the projects we discussed and not for the Johnson TIF district."

At the public hearing, Franklin had asked if the Community Development money could be used to hire a city planner.

Echols said that this particular set of grants was earmarked for the specific types of projects proposed, but said he would talk to Madison County Community Development about getting money for a planner through a different program.

Echols said more Community Development money should be available for housing rehabilitation and other projects later this year.

"There are a whole bunch of different Community Development programs," Echols said. "Venice, and I think we're the only city in the county like this, is eligible for them all."

Manning

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Council eliminated the manning table for the police department in Granite City.

Alderman Dan Partney, who has long said that the police department is "too many chiefs and not enough Indians," said that the 1991 action has allowed Chief Ron Lengyel to restructure the police department, resulting in a budgetary savings.

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Students

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"It's a great learning experience. It's neat to go out and see how the real world works ... before you get there."

School District Off-Campus Education Coordinator Don Shaffner said the school district offers two different programs for students. In addition to the extended campus program, where students earn credits but receive no pay, students participating in the "Co-op" program are paid for their services because they actually contribute toward the profit of the business where they train.

Barrios has been telling at the job since Jan. 20, but with no

pay. But it's a lot better than sitting around in a study hall," she said.

Is being the only woman on the job a problem?

"Well, one time I was carrying around 80-pound bags and hurt my back. But I didn't want them to know it and I didn't want to quit."

What do the guys think?

"I don't know. You'd have to ask them."

Barrios said that Dave Agers, her supervisor at the hospital, has been a great "teacher."

"He's great. He's really helpful and informative. When I'm not sure I did the job quite right, he's patient and tells me it takes time to learn. That helps build up my spirit."

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YOUTH FOCUS:

Are you ready for

high school?

(Asked of eighth grade students at Madison Middle School and Grigsby Junior High School.)

By Pam Doepeke-Hurd.

Eric Dillon, Venice
"Yes, I think I am ready for high school. I say so because I feel that I am a responsible teenager who likes to do homework."

Vanessa Lewis, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes, I am ready for high school. I am looking forward to all the challenges that will be facing me. I know that it will be hard for me the first couple of months, but I want to graduate."

Jacqueline Williams, Venice
"Yes, because I will be an experience for me. It would be a whole new ballgame for me. It will make me more responsible to do some of the things I would rather do such as working. It will probably be different because I'll be changing."

Brian Millsap
"Schools. I really don't want to, but my parents say there would be more for me to do such as activities and education. But, yes, I'm ready for high school."

Erin King, Madison
"Yes and no, because it will seem very hard to get adjusted in the high school. There will be more responsibilities and you would not be able to see your friends as much. The very hard part to me is just being the underclassmen (freshmen)."

Andrew Trice, Madison
"No, not right now, but at the end of the year I probably will."

Jerind Howard, Madison
"Yes, because I want to experience new things in the high school."

Kelly Mattern
"Dennis Simms, Madison.
"No, I'm not ready to make the transition to the high school."

Erin Turner, Madison
"Yes, because I'm ready for a change."

Sue Moran, Madison
"Yes, I feel I'm ready for high school. I've matured a lot and most of my friends are up there. I'm ready to move up in the world and go to college. I feel I'm ready."

Rheannon Naona, Grigsby Jr. High
"I'm the kind of person who welcomes change, but not quite as big of a change as high school. Going to high school is like swimming in a backyard."

Jake Bathon
"pool than an Olympic size pool. But eventually you get used to it. I guess I'm going to have to learn how to swim fast because I've only got three months."

Jake Bathon, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes, I am ready for high school. I think that I have learned enough to make it. I have been in public schools for less than one year. No, I am not ready for high school. I don't think I am ready because I am only 11. I am afraid that the older and bigger kids will stuff me in a locker."

Stephanie Brandt, Grigsby Jr. High
"I am not really sure if I am ready for high school. I do want to go to high school because I want to get older and get to know more people. I want to go to high school because I am not ready for high school. I don't want to go because I don't think I am prepared in my math book. I am kind of shy around new people. I am very nervous around new teachers."

Kelly Mattern, Grigsby Jr. High
"No, I am not ready for high school because I am afraid of getting lost. I want to meet new people but I am not really ready for a really big school. When I was in grade school, I didn't think I was ready for Grigsby, but now I am here and I like it so I am sure I'll like the high school."

Stephanie Brandt, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes, I think that I am ready for high school because I want to move on in life and be treated like an adult and not a little kid. Junior high gets boring and I think high school would be fun. Plus I want a car and I can't get a car in junior high. I want to make tons of new friends. I'm not saying that school is fun, but I think high school would be more fun than junior high."

Brian Millsap, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes, I am ready for high school. I am ready for high school because that is what junior high school is for, preparing you for high school. I don't have any problems with older people or bullies because I already experienced that in the seventh grade. I do know that the classes are harder than here, but I think I can handle it."

Niky Bowers, Venice
"I, myself, feel that I am ready to go to high school for many of reasons. One is that I am more mature than some other people. Second, I'm ready to take on new responsibility and adventure. Third, I want to broaden my education."

David Whittington
"John Baker, Grigsby Jr. High.
"I am ready for high school. I want to move on with my life and soon. I will be ready for a job. I will take machinery metals so I can learn to work with metal so I can get a good job. I also will be close to getting out of school which won't be a problem for me."

Jaime Smith, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes, I'm very ready for high school. I really want to go there soon because I think it would be great to meet all new teachers and make new friends. I'm kind of nervous because it will be in a new place and mostly all new faces. The first few weeks will be hard but after that I know I'll get the hang of it. I'm sure I'll have a great time in high school."

Nathan Wallace, Grigsby Jr. High
"Yes and no. Yes, I am ready because I'm getting tired of being in a little school. I want to be in a bigger school for a change. I want to get my driver's license. I want to learn all the different things I can learn there. Then again, no, I'm not because of all the stories I have heard about them picking on you. If you are late they give you swats. It is so big you can get lost in it. I would feel much older, so I guess I am ready for it."

Young musicians earn 1st-place ratings in contest

Granite City elementary band students, under the direction of Mary Ann Davis, received 4th first division and one second division rating in a district solo and ensemble contest. The following received first division ratings on their solos:

Frohhardt - All Krinski, flute;
Diana Smith, flute; Andrea Stovall, flute; Mark Moulton, clarinet; Brandon Williams, alto sax; Cory Simpson, alto sax; Melissa Clouinger, alto sax; Jan Shannafelt, cornet; Marla Van Sickle, snare drum; Jenna Grable, snare drum; and Angela Morris, snare drum.

Lake - Amy Johnson, flute;
Marshall - Cheyenne Modglin, Marshall; Cheyenne Modglin, Marshall.
The following students performed in ensembles and received first division ratings: Flute Quartet - Andrea Stovall, Frohardt; Becky McGuire, Maryville; Sara Hull, Maryville; and All Krinski, Frohardt.
Clarinet Trio - Philip Huniak, Parkview; Mark Moulton, Frohardt; and Brent Palsey, Wilson.
Cornet Trio - Eric Lewis, Maryville; Matt Thomas, Maryville; and Andrew Elliff, Maryville.
Cornet Duet - Cheyenne Modglin, Maryville, and Sarah Jarrett, Niedringhaus.
Alto Sax Duet - Stacey Baker, Lake, and Becky Pierce, Niedringhaus.
Alto Sax Trio - Daniel Winkle, Maryville, and Cory Simpson, Frohardt.
Sax Trio - Daniel Winkle, Maryville; Cory Simpson, Frohardt; and Melissa Lueke, Maryville.
Cornet Trio - Kyle Bridges, Parkview; Katrina Smith, Parkview; and Jan Shannafelt, Frohardt.
Brass Choir - Ryan Evans, Frohardt; Jan Shannafelt, Frohardt; Madrigal Vorce, Niedringhaus; Shannon Gergen, Mitchell; James Watson, Maryville; and Jonathan Weisse, Wilson.
Percussion Quintet - Angela Morris, Frohardt; Colin Anderson, Niedringhaus; Scott Sarich, Niedringhaus; Dustin Wesley, Maryville; and Andy Ravanelli, Maryville.
The following ensemble received a second division rating: Snare Drum Trio - Marla Van Sickle, Frohardt; Jenna Grable, Frohardt; and Zachary Smith, Parkview.
Piano accompanists for the students were Diane Davis, Jennie Totten and Debbie Vorce.

Briefly

Musical set for Sunday

The children's music department of Grace Baptist Church, 2600 Edwards St. in Granite City, will present the musical, "Destination Promised Land," at 7 p.m. May 23.

Preparation for this musical was begun under the direction of the late Rev. Mick Poplichak, longtime minister of music at the church.

"After his passing, the children wanted to continue this project," said Dr. Bob Jones, the church's pastor. Under the direction of Mary Ann Gamblin, the children have worked hard to get ready for this musical. It promises to be enjoyable and inspirational, Jones said.

Jones and the people of Grace Baptist Church invite the public to attend this children's musical. There is no admission charge and a nursery will be provided. For more information call 877-6672.

Special service at Foursquare

There will be a special service at Granite City Foursquare Church, 2400 E. 25th St., on Sunday at 3 p.m. The Sitzer Family Variety Gospel, from Fredericktown, Mo., will be special guest singers. Pastor Eddie Linhart welcomes the public to come worship with them.

THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

When an attorney talks about the issue of liability in an automobile accident, he is really attempting to determine who was at fault. One factor in determining who caused the accident is what tickets for moving violations were issued to the drivers. Often the police will come to the accident scene after the cars have collided and issue tickets to one or both drivers.

In one recent case, a driver (Driver 1) was proceeding through an intersection on a green light. After he came through the intersection, a second driver (Driver 2) pulled out of a private parking lot into the path of the first driver. The cars collided, and both drivers were injured.

The police came to the accident scene and issued Driver 2 a ticket for failure to yield. This ticket presumably was issued because Driver 2 pulled into the path of Driver 1 when, in fact, Driver 1 had the right of way. The policeman also determined from the skid marks of the first car that he was traveling too fast for conditions. Therefore, Driver 1 also received a ticket.

Driver 1 argued with the policeman that he should not be issued a ticket. He maintained

that the only reason he skidded after he came through the intersection was because there were cinders on the roadway. Nevertheless, the policeman gave him the ticket anyway.

Driver 1 sustained serious injuries in the accident. The question was raised as to how significant his moving violation would be in terms of the issue of liability. Would the damages he received for his property damage and personal injuries be reduced because of this ticket?

The answer to this question depends upon an understanding that Illinois is a comparative negligence state. When settling a case, an insurance company looks at the relative fault of the parties. If a court finds that Driver 1 was traveling too fast for conditions, this could later be used against him to demonstrate he was partially at fault in the accident.

If he was 25% at fault in the accident, for instance, his damages would be reduced by this percentage. Therefore, it would appear to be important for Driver 1 to go to traffic court and fight his ticket so that his recovery in the personal injury case will not later be reduced.

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Sports

Kickers wrapping up regular season Lady Warriors aim to peak in sectional play

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

After watching his team have its way with Metro East Lutheran and O'Fallon in two consecutive 8-0 wins this week, coach Gene Baker hopes the Lady Warriors are on the verge of peaking.

"We're ready for the playoffs," Baker said. "This is a great team, and I've enjoyed working with them. We'll see what happens."

The Lady Warriors improved to 11-3 with the two victories. Their only losses this year have come against three St. Louis teams—Incarinate Word Academy, Notre Dame and Francis Howell North. The Lady Warriors also have a tie against Hazelwood Central.

The Lady Warriors have recovered from a brief mid-season slump, when they lost three straight games. Baker said the team's tough schedule should pay off when the Lady Warriors enter sectional play next Tuesday.

The fact that the heart of Granite City's lineup consists of eight seniors should also carry the team. The Lady Warriors will play a 7 p.m. home game against the winner between



Rapoff Evans

Cahokia and Metro East Lutheran. They are hoping to make it to the state tournament for the first time in two years.

"I'd love to see them put it together at the right time of the year," Baker said.

The Lady Warriors came out firing this week. They defeated Metro East Lutheran 8-0 Monday on the strength of two goals by Holly Farnsworth and two assists by Michelle Knox.

Other scorers were Brooke Bjorkman, Suzanne Stuart, Kara Gauen, Lyns Evans, Tanya Genovese and Penny Kreher. Kami Kessel, Staci Dowdy, Tammy Dutko and Kreher all recorded assists.

Baker was even more impressed with his team's effort Wednesday against O'Fallon. The Lady Warriors dominated the field again and won 8-0.

Beth Rapoff and Evans had two goals apiece, and Farnsworth had two assists. Julie Goclan, Debbie Dutko, Ann Logan and Stuart also scored.

"They did a terrific job," Baker said. "We had our best effort of the year and really played well."

Baker said the Lady Warriors are in better shape than they were last week, when several players were injured and questionable for the rest of the season. Most of the injured players returned this week.

Still, it appears that Amy Henson and Jennifer Splaingard could be out for the rest of the season.

"Despite the injuries, we've improved," Baker said. "It's been one after another. We're doing what we can."

The Lady Warriors will have one final regular-season test before beginning the postseason next week. They will play at home against Alton at 4 p.m. Friday.

The Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin Sectional begins Saturday. If the Lady Warriors win Tuesday, they will play Thursday at home against Rochester or O'Fallon.

"The girls are working hard," Baker said.



Granite City's Holly Farnsworth (right) had two assists in Wednesday's 8-0 win over O'Fallon.

Warriors outbattle Kahoks

Hicks wins in extra innings; Ridenour clears fence twice

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

After knocking out Granite City starter Jeff Ridenour with five runs in the first four innings, Collinsville appeared on its way to victory in a key Southwestern Conference matchup Wednesday.

But the Kahoks' success against Ridenour and the Warriors ended there. Ridenour struck back offensively in the sixth inning with a solo home run to tie the game 5-5, and the Warriors went on to outlast the Kahoks 8-5 in a contest that lasted nine innings.

Ridenour's blast was his second on the day against Collinsville starter Chris Ottensmeyer. In the second inning, he crushed a two-run homer over the 360-foot sign in the left-field power alley to make the score 2-2.

Ridenour went 2-for-4 on the day at the plate. Without his second home run, the Warriors might not have been able to force the game into extra innings. Granite City was coming off a 2-1 loss at Belleville

Granite City 6, Collinsville 5

GC	AB	R	H	E	CV	AB	R	H	E
Marshall	6	0	0	0	Smith	5	1	3	0
Nunes	6	0	0	0	Marchetti	5	1	3	0
Rosen	6	0	0	0	Quigley	5	1	3	0
Wisean	4	1	1	1	Muniz	6	1	0	1
Chen	5	1	1	1	Perkins	4	0	0	0
Worland	3	0	1	1	Montgomery	4	0	0	0
Ward	5	2	1	1	Hillman	4	0	0	0
Patton	3	0	0	0	Stamps	2	0	0	0
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Section B THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1993 GRANITE CITY PRESS-RECORD

Schedule

Thursday, May 20	
BASEBALL: Granite City at Alton, 3:30 p.m.	
SOUTBALL: Granite City at East St. Louis, 6:15 p.m.	
Friday, May 21	
TRACK: Madison girls at Chas A. State Meet, Charleston; Madison boys at Red Bud Chas A. Sectional, 1 p.m.	
TENNIS: Granite City Sectional, 1 p.m.	
SOFTBALL: Granite City at Cahokia, 4 p.m.	
CHS SOCCER: Alton at Granite City, 4 p.m.	
Saturday, May 22	
TENNIS: Granite City Sectional, 9 a.m.	
SOFTBALL: Belleville East at Granite City (DH), 9 a.m.	
BASEBALL: Carbondale at Granite City (DH), 10 p.m.	
Sunday, May 23	
MON-CLAIR BASEBALL: Granite City at East St. Louis (DH), 1:30 p.m.	
MOOREHEAD: Granite City at Collinsville, 1:30 p.m.	
SOFTBALL: Granite City at East St. Louis, 5:45 p.m.	
Tuesday, May 25	
CHS SOCCER: Granite City vs. Cahokia at Metro East Lutheran, 10:30 a.m.	

Journal Writers' Poll Baseball

Large schools	
Team	Record
1. Parkway South (1)	14-0
2. Edwardsville (2)	17-3
3. McCluer North (3)	13-3
4. Lafayette (4)	14-3
5. Belleville West (5)	18-5
6. GRANITE CITY (7)	17-5
7. Belleville East (6)	16-5
8. Parkway Central (8)	12-4
9. Pattonville (10)	11-5
10. Collinsville (NR)	15-5
Also receiving votes: Northwest Fox.	
Small schools	
1. Rosary (2)	11-2
2. Festus (1)	13-4
3. Lebanon (4)	17-5
4. Lutheran North (3)	11-4
5. Hancock (5)	12-3
6. Freeburg (6)	15-10
7. St. Dominic (7)	8-5
8. Althoff (8)	7-6
9. Aquinas-Mercy (9)	7-5
10. Hillsboro (10)	8-7
Also receiving votes: Duchesne St. Charles.	

Journal Writers' Poll Girls Soccer

1. Incarnate Word (1)	14-1
2. Oakville (2)	19-1
3. Francis Howell (3)	17-2
4. Hazelwood Central (4)	18-3
5. GRANITE CITY (5)	9-3
6. New Hope (6)	12-2
7. Cor Jesu (7)	12-2
8. Aquinas-Mercy (8)	16-5
9. St. Charles West (9)	15-2
10. Kirkwood (10)	11-2

Also receiving votes: St. Dominic.

Number in parentheses indicates last week's ranking.

Sports briefs

Soccer For Fun to hold clinic

Soccer For Fun, Inc. will be holding an instructional soccer clinic for players age 4-10 next month. The clinic is open to beginners or to players with experience.

The clinic, directed by Rich Moore, will be held 6-7 p.m. on Thursdays in June. The cost is \$25 per child. Applications can be obtained at Soccer For Fun or by calling 797-0619. The deadline for entry is May 27.

GCSSA scramble tourney Saturday at Legacy

The third annual Granite City Booster Club Classic golf scramble will be held Saturday at the Legacy.

The fee for a foursome is \$200, and it includes greens fees, cart, refreshments, dinner and team and attendance prizes. All proceeds will benefit GCSSA athletic and cheerleading programs.

For more information, call Greg Patton at 451-5808, Jerry Bolandis at 877-7659 or Gary Sturdivant at 931-5026.

GCSSA to hold Class D tourney

The Granite City Steel Shot Association will hold a Class D Tournament for men's and women's teams June 4-6. The entry fee is \$75, and there will be cash prizes. For more information, call Ray Hunter at 931-5634 or Tim Morton at 876-7745.

Warriors earn No. 1 seed for regional

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The Granite City baseball team's 1-0 victory over Edwardsville earlier this year came back to pay off big Tuesday for the Warriors, who earned the top seed in this year's Edwardsville Class AA Regional.

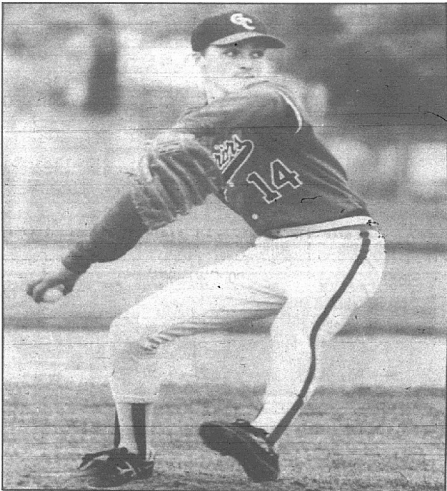
The Warriors will open regional play at 1 p.m. May 29 against the winner of a first-round game between Clive Memorial and Jerseyville. Edwardsville, the No. 2 seed in the regional, will play Wood River or Alton at 10 a.m.

Warrior coach Bob Stegemeier, in his 20th and final year at GCIS, said he cannot remember the last time his team received the top regional seed. Even in 1987, when the Warriors defeated Edwardsville for their last regional title, the Warriors were seeded behind the Tigers.

"It's nice to be seeded No. 1," Stegemeier said. "It's been quite a while. Edwardsville has gotten it every year."

Not this year. The Tigers have a better record at this point than the Warriors—Edwardsville came into the week at 17-3 while the Warriors were 17-6—but the Warriors made a huge statement last month at the Round Robin Tournament.

On April 23, Corey Dickerson (See REGIONAL, Page 2B)



Corey Dickerson unwinds. Dickerson and the Warriors will take the No. 1 seed into next week's Edwardsville Regional.

Netters shut out Shells, roll into sectional play

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

The Granite City tennis team finished off its most successful season during Allen Lobdell's seven years as coach with a 9-0 shutout over Roxana Wednesday, but that may only be the start of things to come heading into Friday's sectional.

The Warriors, who finished the season with a dual record of 13-2, won three matches this week without one individual loss. It marked the first time a Warrior team led by Lobdell posted double digits in victories.

"We have accomplished every goal that we set at the beginning of the season with the exception of how many we qualify for state," Lobdell said. "I've seen some kids really come around and improve. The kids have

matured a lot during the season, and that's been gratifying."

The win Wednesday gives the Warriors some momentum going into Friday's sectional, which will be played at Granite City. The Warriors began the week by beating Alton Marquette and Althoff before topping the visiting Shells on Wednesday.

The nine-team sectional will begin at 1 p.m. Friday. The semifinals are set for 9 a.m. Saturday. The nine-team field includes Alton, Alton Marquette, Althoff, Belleville West, Cahokia, Lincoln, East St. Louis and Wood River.

Each school is allowed to enter two singles players and two doubles teams. Individuals may not take part in both. Representing Granite City in singles is senior Jack Carmody, who qualified for

(See NETTERS, Page 2B)

Street stock driver Baur rallies to win Tri-City feature event

By Steve Birmingham
Correspondent

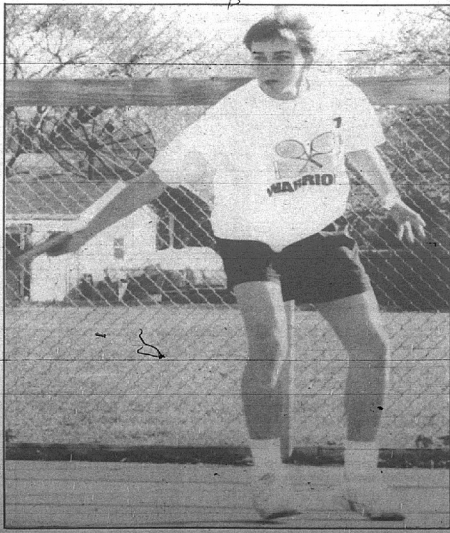
Ladies first. Peggy Baur, a fourth-year driver in the Allied Auto Racing Association Street Stock division, charged from 11th starting spot to win the 15-lap feature event Saturday at Tri-City Speedway. Baur led second-place finisher Ben Clossen by a length

in winning her first event of the year.

Steve Meyer Sr. continued his dominance of the division by winning his heat and the trophy dash. Also winning a heat was Baur.

Mike Hammerle took the checkers in the Modified Feature over a hard-charging Marc McClintock. Jeff Johns, Mark

(See TRI-CITY, Page 2B)



Joe Markel, won his singles match Wednesday, will join Sunil Kumar as the Warriors' top doubles team in the Granite City Class AA Sectional this weekend.

(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Lady Warriors hope to salvage tough season

By Scott Wuerz
Correspondent

The Lady Warrior softball team has struggled down the final stretch of the season, but coach John Hutchings is hopeful his team can salvage the season with the help of better weather.

The Lady Warriors have compiled a 3-15 record so far, largely because of the combination of inexperience and an inability to practice because of bad weather.

"It's been a really tough season on some of the younger players because of the rain," Hutchings said. "We just can't find any consistency because we haven't been able to string together more than a practice or two in a row."

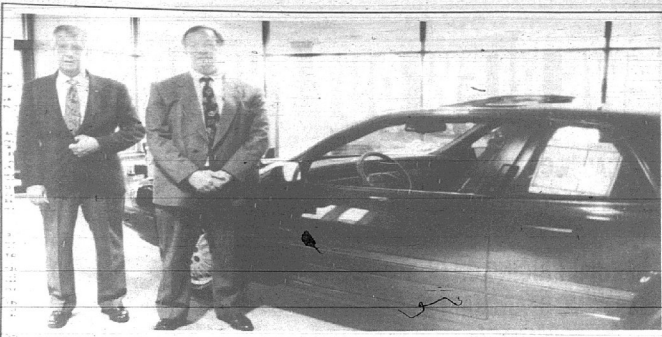
"Now, since the weather has been a little bit better for the last week or so, we hope to gain a little bit of confidence before the regionals begin (May 27)."

The Lady Warriors, however, have continued to struggle down the stretch. In the past week, they went 1-4 with a win against Wood River and losses to Calhoun, Belleville West and a pair Wednesday at Triad.

Despite the losses, Hutchings said he is not completely dissatisfied with the performances of his team.

"The scores in our losses to Triad (8-1 and 12-2) were deceptive," Hutchings said. "We played well for the first four innings in each of the games, but they made the plays and fine

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Prize car — The Granite City Booster Club will hold its annual golf tournament at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Legacy Golf Club in Pontoon Beach. A Buick car donated by Laura Buick will be one of the prizes for a hole-in-one. With the car are Don Wood, left, of Laura Buick and Jerry Bolandis, president of the Booster Club.

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Warriors

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for us. Ridenour had a great day."

Following Ridenour's homer in the sixth, both teams failed to score in the next two innings.

After Ben Hicks retired the Kahoeks in order in the top of the ninth, designated hitter Brian Kohler led off the bottom of the inning with a line drive to right field that went for a triple.

Paul Helmkamp, who had relieved Ottensmeyer to begin the eighth, then threw two straight balls to cleanup hitter Bob Wilson. McFall elected to intentionally walk Wilson, who had doubled in a run earlier.

Sensing a squeeze play, McFall had Helmkamp walk the next batter — Matt Stinson — to load the bases. The Warriors were able to win when Mark Windfield drew a walk on four straight balls from Helmkamp to force Kohler home.

It was a tough loss for the Kahoeks. McFall said the decision to walk Wilson came because of the 2-0 count, and the decision to

walk Stinson resulted because of the possibility of a squeeze play.

"We let (Helmkamp) throw a couple pitches (to Wilson), and then we decided to walk him," McFall said. "I guess I thought they would (squeeze). I wasn't sure they wouldn't, although they were right in the middle of their lineup."

"It just didn't work out. They had their guy (Kohler) get the key hit, and that's the ballgame," McFall said.

"It was unfortunate, because (Helmkamp) has been our best reliever this year," McFall said.

"(Kohler) had a real good at-bat," Stegemeier said. "He fought off a couple pitches and really hit one well."

Helmkamp took the loss. The win went to Hicks, who improved to 6-1 with a stellar performance in relief. Hicks entered the game with no outs in

the fourth inning, the score 4-4 and Dom Marchetti at second base after a two-run double.

Hicks gave up a bloop hit to Steve Gungsdon, and Joe Muniz drove in Marchetti on a fielder's choice. Hicks retired the next two batters to end the threat, and he would give up just one more hit the rest of the way.

After giving up a single to Jeff Montgomery in the eighth inning, Hicks retired the final eight batters he faced. Normally a starter, Hicks struck out four and walked one over six innings. "Hicks did a nice job against us," McFall said. "He shut us down. We didn't get many good swings against him."

"Hicks did an awfully good job," Stegemeier said. "That was his best effort of the year. He was ahead of a lot of hitters."

Granite City will now play two final conference games before entering regional play next week. The Warriors will play at 3:30 today at Alton and at 4:15 p.m. Monday at East St. Louis.

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Resurrection musical planned

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 331-0731.

A blessed event shower was given on Sunday for Beth Adams, hosted by Judy Verdu and Linda Boswell. She received many nice gifts and prizes were awarded after several games were played.

Guests attending were: Geraldine Rappaport, Vicki Rollens, Debbie Stuart, Shellah Huck, Clint Parish, Sherri Kelley, Helena Woods, and Tammy Schenke.

"The Day He Wore My Crown," a resurrection musical, will be presented Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23, beginning at 7 p.m. by the Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, 196 West Country Lane in Collinsville. The



Lucille Martin

public is invited to attend.

Residents of the Colonial Nursing Home were visited by some of the Pontoon Baptist Church members on Monday evening. A devotional about David, taken from the book of Psalms, was given by Nancy Hedger and the rest of the visit was spent in singing several hymns by Ralph and Juanita Craycraft, Gary Chaney, Callie Dalton, and Frances Brake.

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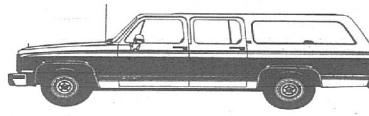


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Dream Theater returns rock to epic melodies

By Alan Sculley
Correspondent

Any music fan who grew up in the heyday of mid-70s rock will have little trouble recognizing the role models for Dream Theater. On the band's "Images And Words" CD, one can hear the imprint of progressive rock groups such as Rush, Yes, King Crimson and Pink Floyd, as the quintet winds through this epic 60-minute album with eight extended play tracks.

Though bands that today show such art-rock tendencies often are criticized for musical overindulgence, Dream Theater's bassist John Myung isn't about to apologize for his progressive rock influences.

"We all are very much into what was happening in music in the '70s," Myung said. "It was a great period in music. And it's (the comparisons) a compliment, because at one point there were a number of musicians in the '70s who were like real role models for me as far as becoming a player."

Apparently, none of the rock fans have been waiting for the band like Dream Theater that could return rock to the days of 10-minute songs that featured epic melodies and intricate, extended instrumental solos.

The band's second album, "Images And Words," has topped 400,000 in sales and has prompted them to embark on a third tour of America, this time headlining theaters.

But it wasn't that long ago when the members of Dream Theater — Myung, guitarist John Petrucci, keyboardist Kevin Moore, drummer Mike Portnoy and singer James LaBrie — had to wonder if they ever would get their careers out of neutral.

Formed in 1985 by Long Island natives Myung, Petrucci and Portnoy while they were students at Boston's Berklee School of Music, the group earned a record deal with Mechanic Records on the strength of some early demo tapes.

The promising start turned sour when band members grew dissatisfied with three facets of their careers — the quality of their 1989 Mechanic debut, "When Dream and Day Unite," the level of support from the record label and the style of their singer at the time, Charlie Dominici.

"That album is sort of a fly-by-night recording for Myung said. "We had a very limited budget and we hired an independent producer, Terry Date, whose idea it was to record this thing as quickly as possible."

"He was specialized in dealing with bands and getting them in and out of the studio with a very limited budget. I think the playing was there, but I don't think the production was," he said. "And production is a whole other aspect to making what you do sound good."

That's where the album is lacking, in the production on the album.

Compounding Dream Theater's frustration with the album was the inability of Mechanic to provide the financial backing needed for touring. So the group decided to opt out of the record deal. Then Dream Theater also opted for a change in lead vocalists.

"Our first singer was more from the old school," Myung said. "He was more pop oriented rather than progressively oriented. So it kind of didn't really fit the bill as well as James (LaBrie). James is like the ultimate for us."

Ironically, the band almost never found LaBrie. Having listened to some 200 audition tapes over a two-year period, the band was ready to bring Chris Cionara on board.

"We seriously were considering Chris," Myung said. "He had met with our manager and we had recorded demos with him and it was pretty much all systems go. And I think just before the signing night, James' tape flew in. So we listened to it. And it was really different."

"It was a band called Winter Rose that James was in," Myung said. "And it consisted of some studio and live tracks. James was amazing. At one point it got to a section of the tape where it was live stuff, and we couldn't believe how good he was singing live. So it was like, wow, we've got to get this guy. And we got him."

Though the search for a new singer had grown frustrating — the band, in fact, briefly considered becoming an instrumental quartet — Dream Theater finally found a reason for optimism about six months before LaBrie's audition tape arrived.

Derek Oliver, a one-time music critic who had given "When Dream and Day Unite" a sparkling review in Kerrang magazine, had moved on to a position as a talent scout for Alco Records. Oliver signed the band to the major label.

"He was very much into what we were doing," Myung said. "He didn't want to change a thing. He wanted to leave us just the way we were. And that's what we needed."

With the sales performance of "Images And Words," it appears Oliver's instincts about Dream Theater were right.

"It's been amazing what's happened," Myung said. "In September of '92, I mean, we were out with a U-haul and a van, taking driving shifts. And now we have a tour bus that we can go to sleep on. And it builds up our confidence, too. It's been pretty much we sell out everywhere we go, and that's a great feeling. You need that sort of feedback."

Dream Theater plays May 23 at the American Theater. Tickets for the 8 p.m. show, which also features the Galactic Cowboys, are \$15.

TV/Radio review

Economics will determine length of Shannon's and Chymes' suspensions

For some reason, when he was about 3 years old, my son and some of his friends decided that the word "pantyhoose" was a word full of hidden implications, guaranteed to upset any adult within hearing. How they got that impression is not really clear, but they spent days running around shouting "Pantyhoose!" giggling, waiting for the reaction of sure-to-be shocked adults.

Happily, my son outgrew that. But some of his contemporaries didn't, and today they frequently are found playing "disc jockey" on radio stations.

As of this writing, Steve Shannon and D.C. Chymes, disc jockeys for WKBO-FM (106.5) are suspended for using racial slurs last week during their highly rated morning program. The station has not announced the length of the suspension, which seems to imply they will be back.

While the use of a racial slur on the air apparently was the catalyst for their suspension, the slurs the pair has been offending a lot of people with juvenile banter for a long time. Lots of graphic discussions of sexual matters such as masturbation, questioning kids about their parents' sex lives and ethnic slurs seem to be important parts of the program's contribution to St. Louis culture. The bad news is they have been attracting a large audience, apparently including a lot of early teens.

It may have been the audience which, as the recent furor was brewing, convinced the station's general manager Michael Frischling to describe the program as "the best radio in St. Louis." A couple of days later he described it as "the worst radio in St. Louis," which seems to suggest he had a revelation — or saw a number of sponsors jump ship.

Station management postures aside, let's not lose sight of the fact that Frischling was quoted as saying this: "The second time he had told the men not to



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say the word on the air. It moves one to ask, "How many times do you have to tell your employees something that important?"

It isn't clear when — or if — the "Steve and D.C. Show" will be back. But you can be sure that economics — advertising revenue will be a major factor in that decision.

Sports talk

Sports are all about controversy. "I can run faster than you," "Jump higher." "My team is better than yours." Argument. Conflict.

"We would have won if ..."

Conjecture.

And many of us are addicted to it. That's the basis on which all sports programming such as that offered by KEZK-AM (590) is founded. Round-the-clock sports talk, mostly local, about the St. Louis Cardinals and the St. Louis Blues, and presumably, as the season changes, other teams, other events.

It's way too early to know how well the programming is received by the St. Louis audience. But it's been spotty artistically.

When KEZK kicked off the sports format a few weeks ago, it seemed to some of us in the media that controversial Kevin Slatten would be the foundation of the station's offering. Slatten had been the guy on whom KCAF-AM (1380) tried to build its all-sports effort. At least, he was the guy who drew most of the attention with his ranting about the failures of local teams.

Give Slatten his due. He is not afraid to ruffle local icons. In fact, rattling his stock in

trade. During a recent two hours when I dipped in and out of his morning show, the program consisted of three subjects: np Cardinals manager Joe Torre, tearful Blues coach Bob Berry, and Slatten talking with callers — "Are you with me or against me?"

One exchange sounded something like this (referring, I guess, to a previous conversation): "Listener: 'You hung up on me. I won that one, Kevin.' Slatten: 'No, you didn't.' Listener: 'Yes, I did.' Slatten: 'No, you didn't.' Listener: 'Did, too.' Slatten: 'Did not.' And it went on and on.

If arguing can be bland, this was. On the other hand, Slatten gets credit for having Dal Maxvill, general manager of the Cardinals, on his program the same morning. Unfortunately, at least while I was listening, Slatten did not come on nearly as strong with his criticism of the team as he did when Maxvill was not present.

Other hosts do better jobs of informing the listeners and giving them a chance to express opinions and get reactions. Trey Wingo, reporter for KSDK-TV, (Channel 5) and Andy Mohler, a sports producer for the same station, followed Slatten and chipped in with a lively program that touched on a variety of subjects. Later that evening, Mike Claiborne and Bob Ramsey pitched in with an entertaining mixture of fact and opinion on a number of sports issues.

It seems to me one problem the station has to avoid is monotony. If the format bogs down in disgruntled fans whining constantly about the performance of local teams and a personality who seems to have nothing constructive to add to the discussion, it won't work. That, I guess, is Slatten's thing. Even we sports fanatics get tired of the same conversation day after day.

Fortunately, the other personalities seem determined to give us something different.

Music trivia

Some 'Dixie rock' songs are classics

By Bill Beggs
Correspondent

DIXIE ROCK: No-frills bands like the Black Crowes from Atlanta are keeping the torch aglow for the great era of Southern rock. A few bands from in the 1970s, long before grunge — paralyzed ripped jeans, attitude and 1,000-yard cannabis-enhanced stares into radio success. And a few of their tunes are regarded as classics.

1. What band from South Carolina featured brothers Toy and Tommy Caldwell, and bowed on *Billboard's* Hot 100 in late 1975 with "Fire On The Mountain" (No. 38)?

2. What No. 10 song from the summer of 1974 was the first of three modest pop-chart hits for Wet Willie?

3. Who scored a No. 2 hit in the fall of 1974 with a song featuring the following lyric: "...and I was born in the back seat of a Greyhound bus, rolling down Highway 41"? 4. Who hit No. 9 in the summer of 1973 with a novelty song, the redneck paranoiac ditty "Uneasy Rider"?

5. What band named after a place made it to No. 25 in 1974 with "Jim Dandy"?

6. In 1977 and '78, respectively, "So Into You" and "Imaginary Lover" both hit No. 7, for what band?

7. Frank Beard, Dusty Hill and what other musician comprise what band from Texas?

8. What No. 3 song from the spring of 1976 was the only chart entry for Elvin Bishop?

9. What Tampa-based outfit made it to No. 34 in the fall of 1975 with "There Goes Another Love Song"?

10. What band from Jacksonville, Fla., named themselves after their much-disliked high-school gym teacher? (Extra credit: What tragedies befell the band in 1977 and 1990?)

ANSWERS: 1. The Marshall Tucker Band 2. "Keep On Smilin'" 3. The Allman Brothers Band, "Ramblin' Man" 4. Charlie Daniels 5. Black Oak Arkansas 6. The band was named after the town they hailed from 6. Atlanta Rhythm Section 7. Billy Gibbons, ZZ Top 8. "Pooled Around And Fell In Love" 9. The Outlaws 10. Leonard Skinner became Lynyrd Skynyrd (Extra credit: A plane crash on Oct. 20, 1977, killed lead singer Ronnie Van Zant and members Steve Nicks and Cassie Gaines, guitarist Allen Collins, paralyzed since a 1986 car wreck, died of pneumonia on Jan. 25, 1990.)

Adelines elect new president

Mona Taylor is the newly elected president of Gateway Sounds Chapter of Sweet Adelines. Other officers elected were Jean Bishop, vice-president; Marilyn Andrews, corresponding secretary; Diane Tayford, recording secretary; Charlotte Starr, treasurer.

Taylor is a resident of Belleville and has been a member of the 48-voice Gateway Sounds Chapter since 1986.

Charlotte Starr, board members, Share Haines, Bonnie Kalika and Marilyn Lewis, were installed at the chorus' annual banquet held this year at Michael's Restaurant in Highland.

Installing officers were past presidents Wanda Spivey, Bonnie Kalika and Jody Little. Charlotte Starr was named "Sweet Adelines of the Year." "Perfect Attendance" ribbons were given to Elsemere Skates, Jean Freeman, Betsy Middleton, Charlotte Starr, Share Haines and Judy Ripley.

Taylor encourages women who like to sing and have fun and fellowship to visit a chorus rehearsal any Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Collinsville Township Center, 420 E. Main St.

Chorus members reside in all surrounding localities including Highland, Troy, Edwardsville, Granite City, Alton, Belleville, St. Louis and Vandalia.

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Movie review

'Boiling Point' never starts cooking, wastes talents

It's had enough that a movie is average. But when an average picture is also routine and uninspired, it makes you wonder how it ever got made in the first place.

Such is the verdict on the new movie "Boiling Point," a languid effort that wastes the talents of a good cast.

Wesley Snipes headlines as a police detective out to avenge the murder of his partner in an undercover drug buy at a motel. Dennis Hopper co-stars as a flamboyant ex-convict who was the brains behind the set-up and murder of the police officer.

"Boiling Point" is basically a series of monotonous scenes featuring stakeouts and standoffs. The action is practically non-existent.



Harry Hamm

istent, a tragic flaw for a so-called cop thriller.

Lolita Davidovich appears as a hooker with (you guessed it) a heart of gold. Valerie Perrine makes a rare film appearance as Hopper's waitress wife.

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